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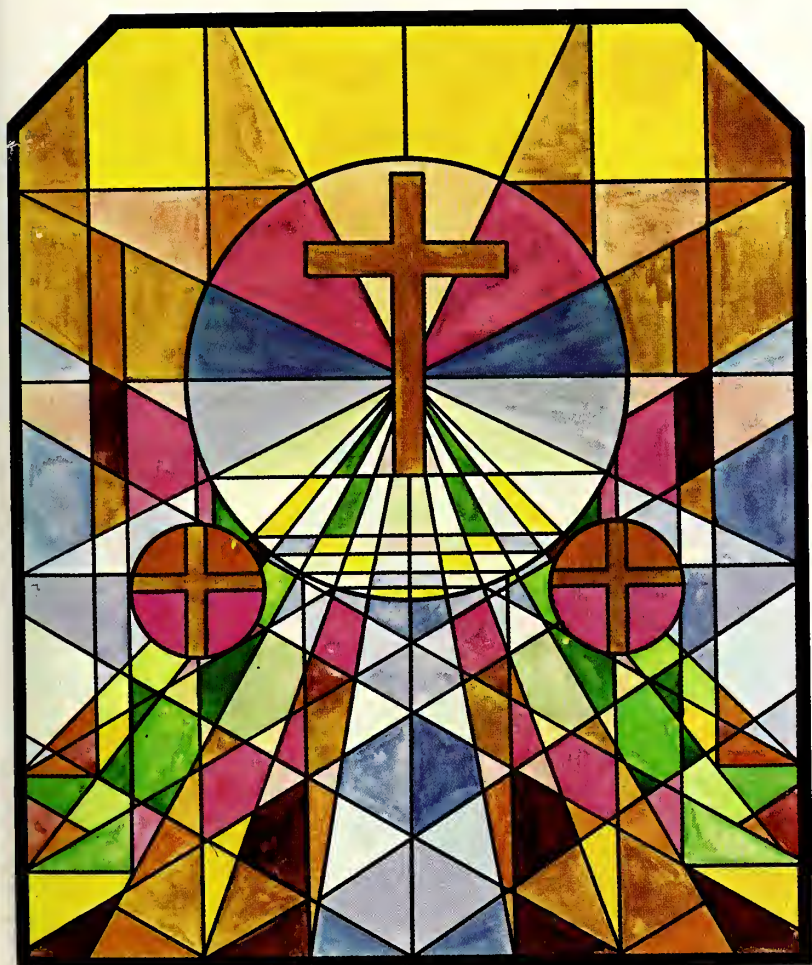
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SEVENTH ANNUAL
MEETING
1976

1976-1977 SOUTHERN BAPTIST
CONVENTION EMPHASIS
LET THE CHURCH STAND UP

EVANGELISM

STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCH TRAINING

MUSIC MINISTRY

BROTHERHOOD

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

WITH A BOLD MISSION THRUST

PENIEL BAPTIST CHURCH
October 28, 1976

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Dedication

We dedicate this Annual to Rev. John Melvin Herndon

Born Eutaw, Alabama
August 24, 1931

AB—Howard College, now Samford University, 1953

BD—Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., 1957

Pastor—(Student Pastor)

Sumterville Baptist Church—1951-53

Eples Baptist Church—1952-53

Central Baptist Church, Hawesville, Kentucky—1953-56

Berry Baptist Church—1957

Vinemont Baptist Church—1958-59

First Baptist Church, Vernon—1959-64

Appointed by Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as
Missionary to Portugal, June 1964—Transferred to Azores in 1976.

Married Norma Lee Headrick of Huntsville, Alabama, May 1952

Children—

Debra Lynn Herndon, 1955

John Mark Herndon, 1957

Charles Michael, (deceased) 1957

Susan Leigh, 1958

LET THE CHURCH STAND UP

The total impact of the church on the world today needs strengthening. Let the Church Stand Up is a convention-approved planning project intended to help the local church come to the forefront in today's society. Church members need to be involved in finding and enlisting people who need to be won to Christ. In order to do this effectively and efficiently, they need training for the work of the church.

Program organization structures need strengthening. The church as a fellowship of committed believers in Jesus Christ needs strengthening. Moreover, church members' awareness of the crucial issues of today's secular society needs increasing. Basic Christian doctrines as the framework of Baptist fellowship and action need reaffirmation.

If the church is to stand up and be an effective influence in today's world, church members should better understand the place of material things and should be more deeply committed to their use for the glory of God. The mission, evangelistic, and stewardship base should be strengthened for more effective witness to the secular society throughout the world.

LET THE CHURCH STAND UP IN 1976-1977

Directory of the Association

NOMINATING COMMITTEE OFFICERS

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Moderator | Rev. Roy Cable |
| Vice-Moderator | Mr. LeRoy McCraw |
| Clerk | Mrs. William Painter |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| Historian | Mrs. Bona Arledge |
| Parliamentarian | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| Supt. of Missions | Rev. Zeb D. Baker |

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Church Training | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| V. B. S. | Mrs. Roy Cable |
| W. M. U. | Mrs. T. W. Searcy |
| Brotherhood | Rev. Allen Wilson |
| Music | Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. |
| Chm. of Evangelism | Rev. Robert Valentine |

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

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|--|-----------------------|
| American Bible Society | Rev. Joe Woods |
| Annuity Board | Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. |
| Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Homes for the Aging | Rev. Bruce Johnson |
| Baptist Hospital | Rev. Allen Wilson |
| Baptist Student Union | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| Christian Education | Rev. Robert Valentine |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship (Coop Program) | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| State, Home, and Foreign Missions | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| Radio and TV | Mr. Robert Durham |

OFFICERS OF THE PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| President | Reverend T. W. Searcy |
| Vice-President | Reverend Boyce Bradshaw |
| Secretary and Treasurer | Reverend Ron Gilbert |

Proceedings

October 28, 1976

SEVENTH SESSION

1. The Seventh Annual Session of the Polk County Baptist Association convened at 1 P.M. on October 28, 1976 at Peniel Baptist Church, Rev. Roy Cable, Moderator, presided. Congregational Singing—"Jesus Loves Even Me" and "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms," Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Director, Charlene Pate, Pianist. Scripture and Prayer (2 Chr.: 6) Rev. Ron Gilbert. Welcome by host pastor, Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr.

2. Declaration of Seventh Annual Meeting—Rev. Roy Cable. Motion from the floor that all registered messengers constitute our association for conducting business. Motion seconded and adopted by show of hands.

3. Adoption of Program, motion by Mr. Leroy McCraw, seconded and approved with necessary changes.

4. Presentation of Book of Reports—Rev. Zeb Baker, adopted.

5. Introduction of new personnel and visitors by Rev. Roy Cable. Rev. Lawrence Jackson as interim pastor at Midway. Representatives present were Rick Trexler, Gardner-Webb College; Clyde Morris, Baptist Children's Home; Rev. Ralph Conner, Baptist Home for the Aging; Rev. Herman Hicks, Baptist Hospital; and Rev. Woodrow Hill, Biblical Recorder; Bob Bruhn, Stewardship.

6. Special Music—"I Was Born To Serve The Lord" beautifully sang by Charlene Pate.

7. Annual Sermon—Rev. Allen Wilson brought an inspiring message from Romans 5:1-11 on salvation through Christ which brings peace, access to grace by faith, glory in tribulation, being led by the Spirit, desire for prayer and witnessing—Christian attitude.

8. Business Session: Reports as follows were adopted.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY—Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr.

ANNUITY BOARD—Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND SHELTER—Rev. Charles Bullard. Mr. Clyde Morris spoke to this report.

BAPTIST FOUNDATION—By Rev. Z. D. Baker in the absence of Mr. Jack Jolley.

BAPTIST HOME FOR THE AGING—Rev. Z. D. Baker. Rev. Ralph Conner spoke to this report concerning the new facility at Asheville.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL—Rev. Allen Wilson. Rev. Herman Hicks spoke to this report.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION—By Rev. Bill Linnis. Mr. Rick Trexler from Gardner-Webb College spoke to this report.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE—By Mrs. Delia Byrd. Rev. Woodrow Hill from the Biblical Recorder spoke to this report.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP AND COOPERATIVE PROGRAM—Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Mr. Bob Bruhn from the Baptist State Convention spoke to this report.

STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS—Rev. Charles Bullard expressed appreciation of the association to Rev. Baker for the success of World Mission Week.

RADIO AND TV REPORT—No report given.

9. 15 Minute Break.

10. Congregational Singing: "Glory To His Name."

11. Rev. Luther Osment recognized and urged us to be bold in our Christian life as Baptists.

12. Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Chairman of Committee on Committees asked that the following constitutional change be made in Article 3: Associational meeting date be changed from Thursday after 3rd Sunday to Thursday after 4th Sunday.

13. Reports from Associational Organizations were as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Rev. Boyce Bradshaw stressed High Attendance Sunday which will be October 31.

CHURCH TRAINING—Rev. T. W. Searcy reported that "M" Night will be November 22 at Coopers Gap Church.

BROTHERHOOD—Rev. Allen Wilson.

WMU—Mrs. T. W. Searcy expressed her thanks for the work done in missions during World Mission Work, also announced plans to launch a magazine subscription emphasis.

MUSIC—Mrs. Charlene Pate offered her help to any of the churches with their music.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—Mrs. Roy Cable urged that each church choose their director and make early plans for next year. She also reported that 13 of our 20 churches achieved Merit Achievement and 1 church had an advanced school.

14. Executive Committee Report given by Mrs. William Painter and approved as read.

15. Finance Report by Mrs. Jack Jolley was adopted.

Rev. Baker made a proposal to the association as follows: If we pay to the Baker's \$1,000, they will give us \$585.65. This will pay off what we owed him on the house. Motion that we authorize the treasurer to write Rev. Baker a check for \$1,000 to secure this loan. Seconded and approved.

16. Committee on Committees Report by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. The moderator asked that the same members of the Committee on Committees serve another year. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman, Robert Valentine, Ron Gilbert.

17. Nominating Committee Report approved as recorded in the Book of Reports.

18. Historian Report was adopted as read by Mrs. Miriam Arledge.

19. Audio-Visual Aids—By Rev. Charles Bullard.

20. Congregational Singing—"Blessed Be The Name."

21. The following reports were adopted:

PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT read by the moderator in the absence of Mr. Ted Owens.

ORDINATION REPORT by Rev. T. W. Searcy.

COMMITTEE OF TWENTY REPORT given by Rev. Z. D. Baker. Then Rev. T. W. Searcy expressed appreciation to Dean Grigg for plumbing and to Warrior Mountain Church for electrical wiring at the campground. Rev. Baker made a motion that we send letters of appreciation to these. Motion seconded and carried.

22. Associational Missions: Rev. T. W. Searcy expressed appreciation for the fine work being done by our associational missionary. He also recommended that we group our churches into 4 groups to share in being host for our associational meetings and also for other activities. Recommendation approved. Rev. Baker stated that he wishes to serve only on interim basis during the next year. Possibly to retire after that.

23. Recognition of Host Pastor.
 24. Prayer of Thanksgiving—Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr.
- Adjourn for evening meal by Peniel Baptist Church.

EVENING SESSION

Evening session convened after a delicious meal.

1. Special music was furnished by the Peniel Quartet.
2. Scripture and Prayer by Rev. Joe Wood.
3. Memorial Service—Mrs. T. W. Searcy read the names. Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw read a poem. A song was sung "The King Is Coming" with Charlene Pate at the piano. Prayer by Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw.
4. The budget for the coming year was adopted as prepared by the budget committee and presented by Mrs. Jack Jolley.
5. New Business:

The following were elected as directors for the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter: the Rev. T. W. Searcy, Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Leroy McCraw.

Voted to make change in financial report concerning paying off missionary's house.

Rev. Bullard gave recognition to Fruitland and Fruitland students.

Noted increase in their work. Rev. Bullard also announced a revival which begins at the Columbus Baptist Church November 1-November 5.

6. Resolutions Committee Report was read by Mrs. Doris Stott.

7. Message of Challenge by Rev. T. W. Searcy (Acts 12:1-17). Our challenge—to magnify Christ—to do his will—in our church and in our association. Rev. Searcy challenged us to do business for Christ now.

8. Rev. Baker stated that Wednesday night before Thanksgiving to be pastor and Family Appreciation Night.

9. Rev. William Painter expressed his appreciation for the love offering and prayers given during his time of illness.

10. Congregational singing—"The Doxology."

11. Benediction.

Adjournment until October 27, 1977 at Coopers Gap Baptist Church.

Resolutions Committee

We, the Resolutions Committee, would like to express our appreciation to:

1. Rev. Baker for his fine work.
2. Peniel Church for their hospitality.

Mrs. Doris Stott

Licensed and ordained ministers in our association
who are not pastors at the present time

They are listed according to church affiliation.

BEULAH Roy Page, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356
BIG LEVEL Robert Sensing (L)

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| BYARS | |
| COLUMBUS | J. B. Jones, Box 555, Columbus 28722 |
| | Z. D. Baker, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 |
| COOPER'S GAP | Donald Byers, (L), Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 |
| FAITH | Phillip McCall, Mill Spring |
| FAITH TEMPLE | William E. Riddle, Rt. 1, Enoree, S. C. |
| | Melvin Blackwell (L), Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
| GREEN RIVER | |
| HICKORY GROVE | Ralph Hipp, Rt. 1, Lyman, S. C. |
| MIDWAY | William A. Mills (L), Rt. 1, Columbus |
| | Herman A. Case (L), Rt. 1, Columbus |
| MILL SPRING | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | |
| PACOLET | |
| PACOLET HILLS | |
| PEA RIDGE | |
| PENIEL | Ralph Cochran (L) (1), Houston Road, Columbus |
| | David Buck (O), P. O. Box 241, Columbus |
| SANDY SPRINGS | |
| SILVER CREEK | |
| TRYON SECOND | C. P. Burrell (R), Box 814, Tryon |
| | Ralph Metcalf (1) |
| | Malcolm Ross (R), 101 Redbird Road, Tryon; Tel. 859-5456 |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | |

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The constitution says that each church shall have three voting members on the Executive Committee. Namely, the Pastor, the Treasurer, and one elected member. All general officers and heads of departments are members ex-officio. Since the Pastor and Treasurer are named elsewhere we are giving the name of the elected member only.

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| BEULAH | Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 |
| BIG LEVEL | Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale |
| BYARS | |
| COLUMBUS | |
| COOPER'S GAP | Birch Corn, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 |
| FAITH | Mrs. Gurley Patty, Jr., Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | Robert Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 |
| GREEN RIVER | |
| HICKORY GROVE | Dean Grigg, Landrum 29356 |
| MIDWAY | John Gibbs, Columbus 28722 |
| MILL SPRING | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | Roy Laughter, Rt. 1, Campobello, S. C. |
| PACOLET | Stewart Bradshaw, Lynn 28756 |
| PACOLET HILLS | Clifford Stott, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
| PEA RIDGE | George Price, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 |
| PENIEL | Homer Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | LeRoy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton 28139 |

Program

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL 7th ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR 1976

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| 1:00 | Registration | |
| 1:15 | Call to Worship: Congregational Singing | Mrs. Charlene Pate, Director |
| | Scripture and Prayer | Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| | Welcome by Host Pastor | Rev. William C. Pate, Jr. |
| | Declaration of 7th Annual Program | Rev. Roy Cable, Moderator |
| | Adoption of Program | Mr. LeRoy McGraw |
| | Presentation of Book of Reports | Rev. Z. D. Baker |
| | Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors | Rev. Roy Cable |
| | Special Music | Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| | Annual Sermon | Rev. Allen Wilson |
| | Business Session | |
| | Reports and etc. | |
| | American Bible Society | Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr. |
| | Annuity Board | Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. |
| | Baptist Children's Home and Shelter | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| | Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| | Baptist Homes for the Aging | |
| | Baptist Hospital | Rev. Allen Wilson |
| | Baptist Student Union | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| | Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| | Christian Education | Mrs. Joyce Jackson |
| | Christian Literature | Mrs. Delia Byrd |
| | Christian Stewardship and Coop. | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | State, Home and Foreign Missions | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| | Radio and TV | Mr. Robert Durham |
| | Evangelism | |
| 3:30 | Break for 15 minutes | |
| 3:45 | Hymn | Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| | Reports from Assoc. Organizations | |
| | Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | Church Training | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| | Brotherhood | Rev. Allen Wilson |
| | WMU | Mrs. Vivian Searcy |
| | Music | Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| | VBS | Mrs. Roy Cable |
| | Report of the Executive Committee | Mrs. William Painter |
| | Finance Report | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| | Committee On Committees | |
| | Nominating Committee | Mr. Grover Whitmire |
| | Historian | Mrs. Vivian Arledge |
| | Audio-Visual Aids | Rev. Charles Bullard |
| | Hymn | Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| | Place and Preacher Report | Mr. Ted Owens |
| | Ordinations | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| | Committee of Twenty | Mr. Hoyt Champion |

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| | Associational Missions | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| 6:00 | Break for Evening Meal | |
| | Recognition of Host Pastor by the Moderator | |
| 7:00 | Call to Worship: Special Music | Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| | Scripture and Prayer | Rev. Joe Wood |
| | Presentation of Budget | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| | All Unfinished Business | |
| | Resolutions Committee | Mrs. Larry Stott |
| | Memorials | Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | Message of Challenge | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| | Doxology | |
| | Benediction: Adjourn until October 27, 1977 | |

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT FOR 1976

The Bicentennial of the American Revolution is here, and churches across the country are planning how they will participate in this great celebration.

The American Bible Society can help them. Forty years younger than our country, the ABS (born in 1816) grew up with the new nation and made sure that its citizens always had available copies of God's Word to guide them. Pilgrim to pioneer, farmer to factory worker, the ABS was ready with the Word for everyone.

Today the goal is the same. The translation, publication and distribution of the Scriptures in the language of the people without doctrinal note or comment and without profit. As a vital resource agency to the churches, the ABS works with the United Bible Societies around the world to provide the Scriptures to more people than ever. At least one book of the Bible has now been translated into 1577 languages, and the number of Bibles, New Testaments, portions and selections distributed throughout the world annually runs into the hundreds of millions of copies.

From a financial point of view higher costs have led to postponement of Bible Society projects in many countries. \$11.2 million was pledged for support of world wide programs in 1976, but these funds are not enough. More are needed if the Society is to continue its vital work. In 1975, the Southern Baptist Convention contributed \$238,554 to this worthy cause. The suggested goal is for us to give three cents per member per year which would provide \$350,000.

We ask your continued prayers, that the Bible Society, in partnership with the Southern Baptist Convention and with all willing Christians may fulfill more effectively its task of bringing the Word of God to all those who ask for it and need it.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Pate, Sr.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR 1976

Southern Baptist churches depend on the Annuity Board to provide retirement and insurance protection to pastors and others in church-related vocations.

The Board holds in trust retirement contributions from nearly 40,000 persons. Their contributions will be converted into annuity benefits when they retire.

These contributions, taken together, are considered as funds held in trust by the Annuity Board. They now amount to \$401,135,261. While this appears to be a great deal of money, this must be divided among 40,000 future annuitants and serve their lifetime, post-retirement needs.

Darold H. Morgan, president of the Board, described 1975 as "an excellent year of recovery, growth, and optimism" for the agency. Income from investment of funds held in trust attained a one-year record of \$23,149,064.

Benefits paid to retirees, widows, and the disabled in 1975 amounted to \$15,734,003. During the Annuity Board's 58 years of existence, it has paid more than \$141 million in retirement and protection benefits.

A 13th Check issued in December 1975 provided 8,221 annuitants with an extra month's income to help them combat the rapidly rising cost of living. The combined amount of this extra benefit came to \$733,585. It is called the 13th Check because it is over and above the 12 regular monthly payments.

The Annuity Board helps churches and SBC agencies get the best coverage at the most advantageous rates in life, health, and disability insurance.

Additional information about the work of the Board may be obtained by writing the board at any time.

Some statistical highlights of 1976.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS, 1976

| Retirement Plans: | Total Members | Insurance | |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Plan A (church-agencies) | 27,542 | Health Insurance | 15,929 |
| Plan B (church-agencies) | 20,580 | Group Life (Churches) | 8,657 |
| Plan C (church-agencies) | 5,829 | Group Life (agencies) | 10,981 |
| Total Benefits paid | \$15,734,003 | Life Benefit Plan | 3,373 |
| Relief Benefits | 254,204 | | |
| Relief Recipients | 420 | | |

In North Carolina 2667 staff members of 2140 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement program—2421 in the Family Benefit Plan (A), 1069 in the Age Security Section (Plan B), and 240 in the Variable Benefit Section (Plan C).

In the Polk Baptist Association we only have 11 of our churches participating in any of the plans. Actually at this time only 7 of our pastors are in the plan in any degree. This is something our churches need to look into. It is not only a retirement plan but an insurance for the church in case of disability.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Pate, Jr.
Representative

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS REPORT

Let me bring to your attention by way of this report several film services available to churches and pastors. The one most familiar to pastors is the film service of our Baptist State Convention. A catalogue with a listing of free films and filmstrips is made available each year to pastors.

Another source for films is Religious Film Services, 2804 Anderson Drive, Raleigh, N. C. 27608. (Tel. 969-782-1872.) Rentals on films are about \$10.00 to \$50.00.

A third source for films is probably unknown to most of you—our own Polk County Library. Polk County Library can secure for you through the N. C. Public Library Film Service (for a handling fee of less than \$1.00) films on hundreds of subjects. For example: If you were leading a retreat of young married couples and were using a Family Life Theme, a good "discussion starter" film is "Have I Told you Lately That I Love You." The catalogue gives the following description: "1961 release; 16 minutes; black and white . . . A realistic picture of how labor-saving gadgets and advances in communication and transportation discourage conversation between members of one small family; good for discussion starter at any adult group." The Polk County Librarian will be glad to assist you in securing films listed in the catalogue.

Now, about equipment: many churches have their own projectors, screens, etc. Most are willing to loan to other churches. Also, I have found the public schools cooperate in letting churches borrow their projectors and equipment. Ask around. I'm sure most will be glad to help you.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Bullard, Representative

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Our church letters to the Association this year reveal that we have only three churches with Brotherhoods and eight churches with R. A. chapters with a total of ten chapters.

However, we did show an increase in enrollment this year.

Our Brotherhood work is very poor at this time. We hope to see a great improvement in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen Wilson

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT FOR 1976

The variety of services provided by the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina has been increased greatly in recent years. Western N. C. has shared in this expansion made possible by the generosity of our Baptist people and other friends of dependent children.

Western N. C. has provided many of our finest foster homes since the beginning of this program in the 1930's. This continues to be one of our finest services. We are constantly in need of more good foster homes and will welcome an opportunity to talk with people who would like to work with us in this program.

The Maternity Home in Asheville, opened in 1970, became the first agency-owned group facility in Western N. C. This has proved to be a much-needed and well-received service. Girls have been served from throughout N. C. and beyond. It is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern.

After several years of careful planning, generous giving, and hard work, Broyhill Home became a reality in 1971. People in the Western part of the state rose to the challenge and provided funds to purchase land and develop a campus with buildings and facilities for sixty children. This is one of the most modern up-to-date facilities of its kind in the nation.

Many children find themselves in emergency situations in which they need help immediately. To serve this child we are developing emergency care homes. The Thermal Belt Youth Shelter at Forest City, now in its second year of operation, is proving beneficial to numbers of children in the area.

The department of Child Development and Family Education is available to assist pastors and churches on planning and presenting wider services to strengthen, enrich, and support Christian Family Life. Members of the staff are available upon call to provide assistance in planning for day care, family education, and related interests.

We are deeply grateful at the Homes for every expression of interest and means of support provided by our people. Special gifts, income through the Cooperative Program, and the Thanksgiving Offerings are vital to our existence. We thank you for every expression of your faith and confidence.

Compiled by the Children's Homes
Presented by Charles Bullard,
Representative

BAPTIST FOUNDATION OF N. C. REPORT FOR 1976

During the 1975-76 fiscal year, the North Carolina Baptist Foundation has continued to be used as a channel for Baptists of our state to provide a tangible support for missions in a perpetual way for the years to come. Through a will of a person who has received financial assistance years ago from our Baptist Hospital, a \$29,950 trust was established with the Baptist Foundation to provide income for the hospital's needy patients. The income of the investment for one year will repay what the hospital provided in financial assistance to this person.

A widow tithed the estate of her recently deceased husband to provide an educational scholarship for a student in Christian education in one of our Baptist colleges. Another husband and wife began a trust "To the Glory of God and in honor of our Pastor." This was but the beginning of a BOOK OF HONOR FOR NORTH CAROLINA PASTORS AND MISSIONARIES with income to go to all mission efforts of our denomination through the Cooperative Program. The value of the principal has increased sixty times already since the first gift and several pastors and missionaries have been remembered in this expression of love.

New additions during the year 1975-76 to the North Carolina Baptist Foundation assets held for our institutions and missions totaled \$210,147.17. This amount combined with the market value of real estate (including the Yanceville unit of the N. C. Baptist Homes, Inc.), annuity trusts, and the Foundation Common Trust Fund brings the total market value of assets, as of June 30, 1976 to \$2,946,044.49.

The income from Foundation trust funds paid to beneficiaries during 1975-76 was \$157,069.28. In previous years the Foundation has paid to beneficiaries 1,018,414.76. The total paid through June 30, 1976 now has reached 1,175,484.04.

Wills still account for the major portion of the assets of the Foundation, but presently the Annuity trust accounts comprise \$480,270.73 of the total value of the Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Jolley

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

"Christian stewardship" is a phrase frequently heard in staff meetings at Baptist Hospital. The Hospital's leadership holds to a philosophy of administration based on stewardship and tries to pass this on to all employees. The difference this makes in the whole atmosphere of the hospital is evident to patients and visitors.

One of the most significant developments is the creation of a department of Family Medicine. This department provides primary health care for a limited number of families, that is, the kind of all-round, ongoing health care normally provided by a family physician. This will help to balance the trend of recent years toward increased specialization in the practice of medicine.

Many of the physicians training in family medicine are receiving part of their clinical experience in small towns and rural communities under the auspices of the Area Health Education Centers, created by the State legislature. It is hoped that some will care to remain in these areas.

Improvement of physical facilities is another expression of the hospital's sense of stewardship. In recent months renovation of the west and south wings of the hospital has been completed. Other improvements have been made. A four level parking deck which will provide about 800 parking spaces is in the making. The Pastoral Care Department continues to make its contribution toward the fulfillment of our stewardship. A chaplain is assigned to each area of the hospital. There are capacity enrollments in all phases of the Clinical Pastoral Education programs. A third satellite has been opened in Morganton during the year.

Gifts from Baptist churches have been very gratifying. The Mother's Day gifts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$405,946, compared to a total of \$390,000 for the preceding year. However, again, Polk Association has fallen short of our capabilities. In 1976 only eleven churches out of our twenty have participated in this worthy cause, giving a total of \$899. The Baptist Hospital needs our support. Let us do our best.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen Wilson, Representative

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT 1976

The Baptist Student Union performs the important service of linking the denomination with the academic community. It is a means by which Baptists can minister to the college family. This family of colleges presently consists of some thirty college campuses.

The purpose of this organization is to aid in the spiritual development of the college student, to promote Christian fellowship among the college family, and to seek opportunities for all interested students to share the love of God with others.

In order to provide students with a variety of inspirational activities, Baptist Student Union is divided into two basic programs. These programs are designed to reach inwardly to campus needs and outwardly to the community.

Ministerial students of the Baptist Student Union are available to preach in local churches, jails, and rest homes. Moreover, they perform services including . . . Revival Teams, Hospital Ministries, and Tutoring Programs.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Linnins, Representative

Associational Calendar of Activities

OCTOBER

- 5 Fall WMU Session 4:15-6:00 P. M. Supper, Hickory Grove,
7:00-8:30 Adjourn
- 15-16 BYW Convention
- 28 ASSOCIATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING (PENIEL) Beginning at
1:00 P. M.
- 29 Witches Brew Acteen leaders 7:15 P. M. Meeting at Mrs. James Fishers
home

NOVEMBER

- 1 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, 10:00 A. M., Pacolet Hills Church
- 6 Mother-Daughter Acteen Banquet, 5:00 Hickory Grove-Pacolet Hills
Com. Bldg.
- 5- 6 St. Wide Deacon and Pastors Conference, Hickory, NC
- 9 WMU Council Meeting, 7:30 P. M., Sandy Springs Church
- 10 Pastor and Family Appreciation Night in the churches
- 7-14 ROYAL AMBASSADOR WEEK
- 14 American Bible Society Day
- 15-17 BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
- 18 Foreign Missions Study, 7:00 P. M., Silver Creek Church
- 22 "M" Night in the Association, 7:30, Cooper's Gap Church
- 25 "THANKSGIVING DAY"
- 28-Dec. 4 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
- 14 GARDNER-WEBB DAY IN THE CHURCHES

DECEMBER

- 14 Pastors and Wives Fellowship
- 26 Student Day at Christmas

JANUARY

- 1 New Years Day
- 3- 7 January Bible Study (Romans)
- 9 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 2:30 P. M., Columbus Church
- 23 Baptist Men's Day

FEBRUARY

- 6-12 WMU Focus Week
- 8 Associational WMU Council, 7:00, Columbus
- 7- 9 Statewide Evangelism Conference
- 15 WMU Pr. Retreat, 7:30, Pacolet Church
- 22 Home Missions Study, 7:00 M. Chapel
- 20 Homes For the Aging Day

MARCH

- 3- 4 Vacation B. S. Clinic (Baptist Assembly), Southport, N. C.
- 4- 5 Statewide Y. Choir Festival, Winston Salem, N. C.
- 4- 5 State Day Camp Workshop, Mundo Vista
- 6-13 Week of Prayer for Home Missions
- 5-16 WMU Annual Session, Asheville, N. C.

- 17-18 VBS Clinic, Ridgecrest, N. C.
- 22-24 Gardner-Webb Ministers Conference
- 21 Assoc. S. S. Leadership Training School, Hickory Grove Church, 7:00 P. M.
- 25-27 BSU Spring Conference, Caraway
- 25-27 State Pioneer Royal Ambassador Congress, Wingate College
- 13-20 Youth Week
- 19 Associational Youth Night

APRIL

- 12 Annual Assoc. Sp. WMU, Beulah, 7:00
- 1- 2 Weekday Early Education Workshop, West Asheville Church
- 17 Cooperative Program Day
- 19 S. S. Bible Teacher/Learning Workshop, Rutherfordton, N. C.
- 21 S. S. Bible Teaching, Morganton, N. C., Age Group Leadership
- 22-24 State Acteens Convention, Ridgecrest
- 23 BAPTIST MEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
- 17 Executive Committee, 2:30, Columbus

MAY

- 2 S. S. Bible Teaching, Asheville
- 3 Assoc. WMU Council, Hickory Grove, 7:00
- 10 Baptist Women's Fellowship, 6:30, Sandy Springs Church
- 8 Mother's Day, Hospital Offering
- 15-21 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
- 15 BAPTIST RADIO AND TV SUNDAY

JUNE

- 13-17 Girls in Action Camp, Asheboro
- 12-13 WMU Convention, Kansas City, Mo.
- 14-16 Southern Baptist Convention, Kansas City
- 19 Father's Day Offering for Colleges
- 20-24 Girls in Action, Asheboro
- 27-July 1 Acteens Camp, Asheboro

JULY

- 4- 8 Acteens Camp, Asheboro
- 4- 8 Week of Christian Studies, Mars Hill
- 10 Executive Committee, 2:30, Columbus Church
- 11-15 Children's Choir, Fruitland
- 11-16 WORLD MISSIONS WEEK, SOUTHPORT
- 16-22 S. S. WEEK, Ridgecrest
- 18-22 Associational Directors Conference, Caraway
- 18-23 Youth Conference, Baptist Assembly
- 25 S. S. Briefing Meeting, Ridgecrest
- 23-29 S. S. Week, Ridgecrest

AUGUST

- 1- 5 Girls in Action, Asheboro
- 1- 6 Youth Conference, Southport
- 8-12 Girls in Action, Caraway
- 19 Statewide Youth Evangelism, Greensboro
- 27-Sept. 2 S. S. Week, Ridgecrest
- 28 On to College Day

SEPTEMBER

- 2- 3 ASSOC. WMU OFFICERS WORKSHOP, Mundo Vista
- 2- 4 BSU State Officers, Ashboro
- 8 CHILDREN'S HOME AREA CONFERENCE
WESTERN AREA (BROYHILL HOME)
- 18 State Missions Day and Offering
- *8 S. S. MEETING

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION IN OUR STATE

A careful reading of North Carolina Baptist history reveals that the Baptist State Convention was organized primarily for the purpose of establishing a Baptist College. When the Convention was formed in 1830, there were two church academies already in existence, as well as the University of N. C. at Chapel Hill. However, Baptists wanted their own school. Wake Forest Institution was begun in 1834. Five years later the Institute became Wake Forest College. Thus, Baptists in this state have been closely identified with Christian higher education for 142 years.

Today we have Wake Forest University, Campbell, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, and Wingate Senior Colleges and Chowan Junior College. Also, we have Fruitland Bible Institute and Southeastern Seminary in our State.

We now have what we call the Council of Higher Education. The Council is the only organization of its kind in the Southern Baptist Convention, and is one of the oldest educational cooperatives in America.

North Carolina Baptists continue to support their colleges through the Cooperative Program and the Baptist College Day offering on Father's Day.

The colleges continue to provide training for most of the pastors and other church staff persons who lead North Carolina Baptist churches.

Pastors have helped the colleges in their efforts to recruit Baptist young people by furnishing the names of high school students for contact by the colleges.

The colleges pledge to North Carolina Baptist youth that financial aid is available to assist them in attending a Baptist college. No qualified student is turned away for financial reasons. Grants, loans and work scholarships are available.

Churches, pastors' conferences and associations invite the colleges to send students and faculty to speak and lead programs.

Baptist colleges are anxious to receive invitations to serve the churches and associations. Each college is prepared to send speakers upon request.

In Polk County we have what we call Gardner-Webb College Day in our churches. We have a student for every church that requests one to speak on Sunday morning. Our day this year is November 14th.

The mission of our Baptist colleges: In a secular world with its materialistic priorities, Baptist colleges are committed to the guidance of Christian values in the search for truth. Believing that God is the source of all knowledge and wisdom, Baptist colleges can urge students to search for truth in all areas of knowledge without fear.

Baptist colleges reaffirm their tratitude for the support given by Baptists through the Cooperative Program. We further reaffirm our faith in and our support of the local church, and the broad programs of our denomination.

At this time we have at least three of our pastors and several youth enrolled in our Baptist schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Jackson

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

Another Associational year has passed and our Christian literature is better than ever. It continues to keep us informed about Southern Baptist happenings. The missionaries we had with us during our "WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE" POINTED OUT TO US HOW IMPORTANT THE Publications, "The Commission, and the Home Missions," are to every missionary Baptist church and it most certainly is our work as we share through the Cooperative Program as well as special offerings, as we pray for the work being carried on. Unless we have publications like these and unless we READ them we cannot give or pray intelligently. I hope many new subscriptions have been sent in this year as a result of our World Mission Week.

The Old Testament prophet, Hosea, declared, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," because of a great information void concerning truth, Jeremiah also cried out, "Publish and conceal not."

Just as then, communication still remains one of the most sensitive problems in our churches. "The Biblical Recorder," our State Paper, is doing such a good job of making us informed Baptists. Churches must take the initiative to provide accurate information if work in the local church, association, and Convention continues to progress. Therefore, every church needs to look at her budget carefully and then make provision to send the Recorder to each family. Although already nearly 1,100 churches in the state have the Recorder in the budget, at least 500 more should take that step.

As W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas says, "Let's stay with the State Paper. Increase its circulation. Send it to the people. The reward will be great."

Let's do encourage every church member to be informed as Baptists ought to be, as we study the Bible and pray together for our world.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Donald Byrd, Representative

CHURCH TRAINING UNION REPORT 1976

I am happy to report an increase in Church Training this year. Yet, we still have some churches without Unions. Training Union is the training arm of the church, and our opportunity to train members in Baptist faith.

During 1976-77, churches will enroll members to explore Quality Leadership. The call of a Christian is the call to discipleship. We believe that every regenerated church member needs to study Christian doctrines, Christian ethics, Christian history, and church polity and organization. Every Christian also needs further study in how to worship, witness, educate, minister and apply his faith.

Church training is worth the time and effort it requires. May this be our greatest year in Church Training.

Respectfully submitted,
T. W. Searcy, Assoc. Director

CHRISTIAN LIFE COUNCIL REPORT

The emphasis of the Christian Life Council in 1976 has been twofold: citizenship and family relationships.

In January a bicentennial packet was mailed to every North Carolina Baptist pastor. In addition, a number of sermons and conferences have dealt with Christian citizenship. Six tracts on citizenship were written and printed and made available for local church use.

A major concern for the Christian home has prompted the Council to distribute over 150,000 pieces of literature relative to the family. Over a hundred sermons on the home were preached and a number of conferences were conducted.

A workshop for Youth Ministers was co-sponsored with the Youth Ministries Section.

A single Adult Conference is scheduled for October 29-31 in Charlotte.

One of the most exciting developments is the creation of the Department of Christian Family Life. W. Douglas Cole will head this Department which will be a part of the Christian Life Council.

The Council continues to serve as a research, resource and referral agency for North Carolina Baptists regarding applied Christianity. Dozens of requests are received and answered from Baptists pertaining to everyday life situations.

The Christian Life Council's reason for existence centers on the concept of helping those who call Him "Lord, Lord" to know and do His commandments.

COMMITTEE OF TWENTY REPORT

The Committee of Twenty met and elected Mr. Hoyt Champion as their chairman. Hoyt immediately went to work on various projects. The season was growing late, therefore, he leased the land for cultivation for this year.

The Bath house was built and now completed with a permanent roof. Many other things are in the making. The committee decided to sell the tract of land on the opposite side of the road from our general campground.

The committee decided to have a "TWENTY CLUB." The purpose of this club is to raise funds for future development.

A building that could be used for all purposes was proposed. The size to be 50 x 70 feet. To house all indoor sports, classes, dining, and barracks.

It was estimated that the footing and floor would cost about \$5,000.00. We have one man, Mr. Harry Gibson, Spartanburg, S. C. that has underwritten our Camp Development in the amount of \$100.00 per month. We greatly appreciate this wonderful act. Perhaps others could do something similar.

Below we are giving a form sheet for those who might be interested in giving to our campground over and above what our churches are doing. For instance, if each of our committee of twenty could get 20 people to pledge \$5.00 per month for just one year it would bring in \$24,000 which would build the proposed building.

Tear on the dotted line, fill out and mail to Mr. Hoyt Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N. C. He will keep a report on all donations.

I, _____, pledge to give \$ _____ per month for _____ months to the development of Polk Baptist Assembly Ground.

Signed
Address

Constitution and By-Laws

Article I—NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II—PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian Fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III—MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the fourth Sunday in October. Authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the Association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV—MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and Number of Messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as, The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of Churches: The Association shall be the sole judge of her membership and may receive or reject churches applying for membership therein at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds vote of the messengers present.

SECTION III. CHURCH LETTERS: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church that for a period of twelve months following the Associational meeting fails to send such a letter of information to the office shall be dropped from membership in the

association. The Association's Mission Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V—ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION 2. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director, shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third Quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual session.

SECTION 3. At the annual session the Nominating Committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI—COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practices in the use of Audio-Visual Aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION 2. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning finance and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This comm. shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the Association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

SECTION 3. Committee On Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session on the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION 4. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the Constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION 5. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our Conventions' Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION 6. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an executive promotional committee which shall carry on the work of the association in interim, with all powers of the Association vested in such committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, Pastor from each

member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The executive committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION 7. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present memorial for members of our churches, who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION 8. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State and Southern Baptist Denominational program of missions; Foreign Home, State, and associational.

A. The missions committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Promotional Committee and/or association.

B. **MEMBERSHIP**—The missions committee shall consist of the general officer of the association, heads of the five organizations and the chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of missions is an ex officio member of the committee. Any five members shall constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. **Duties:** The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the gospel to all the people; seek to meet the spiritual needs of all the committees and churches to promote religious services in institutions and to lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and through the executive promotional committee to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs of the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION 9. Nominating Committee: This committee consisting of three members shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION 10. ORDINATION COMMITTEE: This committee will not act voluntarily but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon they shall examine the candidate for the gospel ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION 11. PROGRAM COMMITTEE: The program committee shall consist of the moderator, Vice-moderator, Chm. of Missions Committee, along with THE DIRECTORS OF EACH organization of work. The first three mentioned along with the Superintendent of Missions shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION 12. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the Speaker for the Annual Message and the Alternate.

SECTION 13. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.
2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION 14. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

Article VII

SECTION 15. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the Associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other such needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION 16. This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the Association. They shall hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such, to the Executive committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I—RULES OF ORDER

The Association shall at all times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of order.

Article II—PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the minutes annually.

Article III—CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meet. Any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. MODERATOR: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association and at the executive promotional

meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION 2. VICE-MODERATOR: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of moderator, shall automatically become moderator and the nominating committee shall fill the vacancy of vice-moderator at the next Executive Committee meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the Moderator or in the absence of the Moderator.

SECTION 3. CLERK: The Clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings and all sessions of the annual Associational meetings.

SECTION 4. ASSISTANT CLERK: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the Clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION 5. TREASURER: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION 6. HISTORIAN: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION 7. AUDITOR: The Association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION 8. SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS:

Part 1. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all Committees. His primary duties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

Part 2. EMPLOYMENT: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice or upon recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

Part 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

Part 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

Part 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of Vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions

Committee. The Superintendent shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

Part 6. Our Association shall be grouped into four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches should join the Association equal distribution shall be made.

Group No. 1. Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Byars, Faith Temple.

Group No. 2. Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, Beulah.

Group No. 3. Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, Peniel.

Group No. 4. Pacolet, Columbus, Pacolet Hill, Tryon Second, Warrior Mountain.

Each group of churches will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting of the Association as their turn comes around.

Thereby, in time every church will have an opportunity to host the Association.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

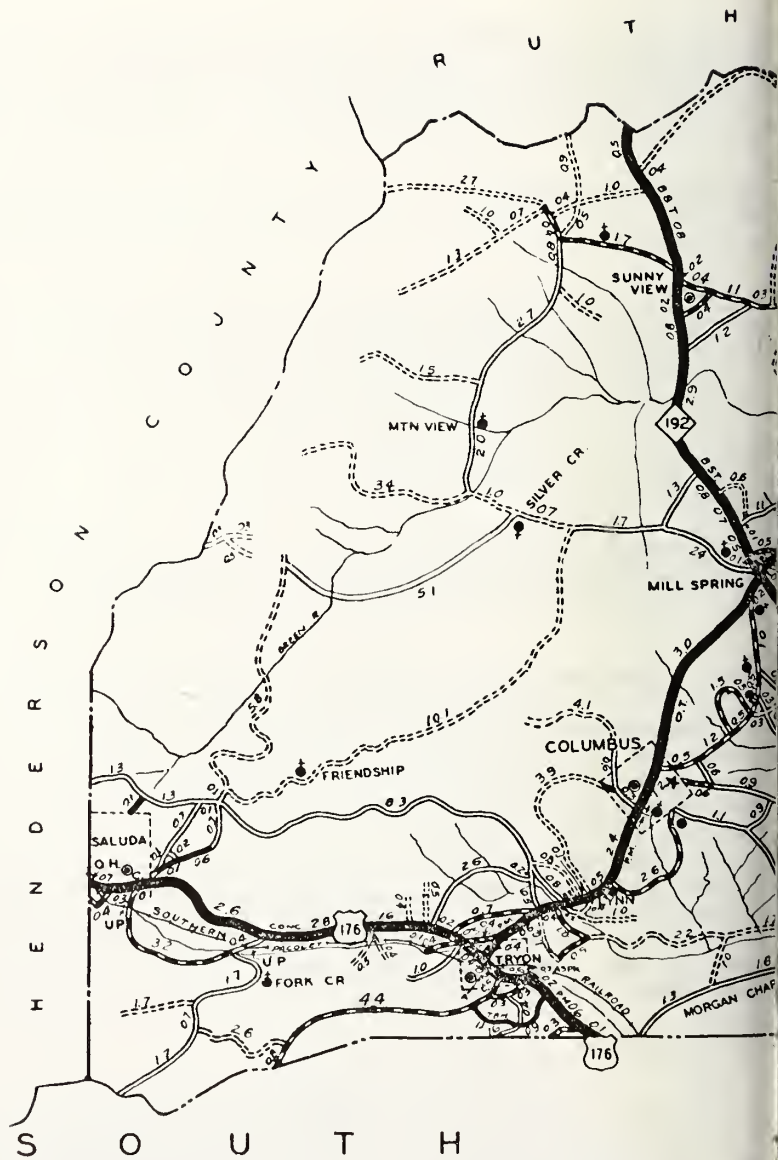
In regard to the Minutes of the Association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the Regular financial program of the Association shall be ask to pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

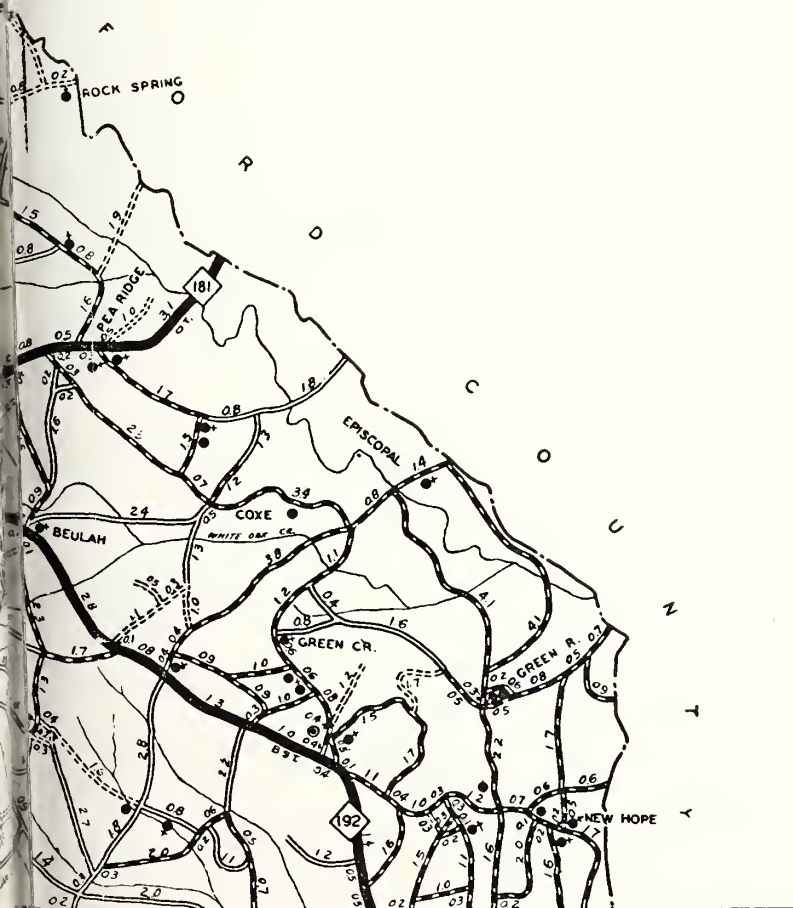
Be it futher understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: All churches with a membership of 100 or less resident members shall receive 10 copies, Churches with a membership of 100-150 shall receive 15 copies., Churches with more than 150 resident members shall receive 20 copies. All churches desiring more than their allotment shall notify the clerk and send a check to the Associational Treas. to cover same. This seems to be a very good balance from which to work.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT 1976

The Cooperative Program is one of the greatest mission programs in the world. We as Baptists, give through our churches and then the churches give through the Cooperative Program. The Cooperative Program is made up of part of your tithes and offerings. These gifts then are divided among all the work of the denomination.

You are a part of the Cooperative Program which expresses the love of God through action. Action is missions, education, benevolence, salaries of missionaries, state missions and administration. We of Polk Association are witnessing to the lost world through our giving to the Cooperative Program.





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LEGEND

STATE HIGHWAYS



COUNTY ROAD TYPES

HARD SURFACE



Polk Baptist Association is running ahead of last year in our giving by \$2,159 (as of September 30, 1976). Our records will show even more since we operate from October to October. Let us continue to give and support with our prayers, the greatest mission outlet in the world, the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM.

Respectfully submitted,
Boyce Bradshaw

ELECTED MESSENGERS TO THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

BEULAH: Hugh Champion, Clois Jackson, Edith Arledge.
BIG LEVEL: Florence Gilbert, Eddie Bailey, General Haynes, Alice Skipper.
BYARS: Willie Mills, Gene Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Pruitt.
COLUMBUS: Mrs. Z. D. Baker.
COOPER'S GAP: Reva Cable, Birch Corn, Colene Corn, Viola Ruff, Maude Gibbs, Aileen Wilson, Estee McGuinn, Inez Whitmire.
FAITH: Frank Walker, Jerry Padgett, Carolyn Gilbert, Elma Padgett, Jeannette Rhodes.
FAITH TEMPLE: Robert Painter, Jeff Reid, Donald Blackwell.
GREEN RIVER: Doris Bradshaw, Buford Harris, Virgie Harris, Pauline Henson.
HICKORY GROVE: Mrs. T. W. Searcy, Edna Stott, Clara Wilson, Blanch Raburn, Tessie Stott, Eugene Morgan.
MIDWAY: Blanche Arledge, Lewis Mills, Ronald Bradley.
MILL SPRING: Jean Moss, Bessie Pack, Ruby Jackson, Doris Case.
MORGAN CHAPEL: Anna Campbell, Rosetta Flynn, Juanita Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. George Willard, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Laughter.
PACOLET: Nell Foster, Ramona Rhodes, Annie Edwards.
PACOLET HILLS: C. H. Lewis.
PEA RIDGE: Mrs. Joe Wood, Mr. and Mrs. George Rollins, Oliver Taylor, Becky Champion.
PENIEL: Charlene Pate, Louise Jackson, Roy Carruth, Lucille Durham, Jervey Durham, Ralph Cochran, Ethel Cochran, Evelyn Pittman, Charlie Wilson, Sam Marlowe, Albert Durham, Mickey Durham, Grace Durham, Preston Skipper, Carolyn Pittman.
SANDY SPRINGS: Jeannette Wilson, Clemmie Yelton, Eunice Jolley.
SILVER CREEK: N. B. Arledge, Nellie Edwards, Dora Arledge, Donald Sain, Lettie Nodine.
TRYON SECOND: Juanita Gosnell, Thomas Metcalf, Hope Hipp, Lona Bell Skipper.
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Mary Gravely, Sara Anderson, Delia Byrd.

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR 1976

There was an overflowing attendance of more than 2,600 pastors and lay persons at the 30th Statewide Evangelism Conference at the Civic Center Auditorium, Asheville—Feb. 2-4, 1976. The theme was "FREEDOM IN CHRIST." The response from many persons indicated that this conference was one of the best in several years.

About 525 youth and adults attended the Youth Ministry Week—June 14-18 at the North Carolina Assembly with the emphasis on youth evangelism, vocational guidance, and recreation. 53 different types of decisions for Christ were made by the youth.

Two summer youth evangelism teams are directing youth revivals and youth witness training in eighteen churches across the state for a one week period in each church.

The division of Evangelism is continuing to cooperate with the Brotherhood Department in Lay Renewal Weekends and Ministry Evangelism Weekends.

A new area of youth work will be Youth Evangelism Strategy with an emphasis on four phases: Leadership Family, Touch Ministry, Discipleship Groups, and Joy Explosion. W. O. W.—Win Our WORLD—is included in this strategy and involves specific witness training for youth.

The 31st Statewide Evangelism Conference will be February 7-9, 1977 at the War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro.

Last year in the Polk Baptist Association we baptized 123. This year our churches baptized 108.

Respectfully submitted

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1975-76

BUDGETED ITEMS

| | | |
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| Balance Beginning October 1, 1975 | | \$ 2,035.28 |
| Receipts: Churches: | | |
| Regular fund | \$8,000.73 | |
| Assoc. Home | 1,522.00 | |
| Youth Shelter | 126.00 | |
| Minutes | 33.50 | |
| World Miss. Conf. | <u>1,300.00</u> | |
| Total from the churches | | 10,982.23 |
| Baptist State conv. | 1,072.00 | |
| Sale of Supplies | 126.26 | |
| Z. D. Baker (tithe) | 600.00 | |
| Day of Pr. Offering | 16.00 | |
| Z. D. B. (Repair on Range) | 46.82 | |
| N. C. Tax Refund | 43.91 | |
| World Mission Conf. (Luncheon) | <u>45.42</u> | |
| Total | | <u>1,950.41</u> |
| Total of all receipts and Balance Oct. 1, 1975 | | 14,967.92 |
| Less expenses itemized below | | <u>13,749.87</u> |
| Total balance to begin new year Oct. 1, 1976 | | 1,218.05 |

EXPENSES ITEMIZED

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Rev. and Mrs. Baker | 4,269.96 |
| Annuity | 240.00 |
| Z. D. B. (Christmas Gift) | 100.00 |
| Z. D. B. (Con. expense) | 200.00 |
| Giles Insurance on Home | 122.00 |
| Telephone | 204.21 |
| Lights and etc. | 180.00 |
| Petty Cash | 100.00 |
| Mailing Permit | 40.00 |
| Otis Brady (M Night Speaker) | 25.00 |
| Mary H. Night (Day of Prayer) | 16.00 |
| Sunday School | 10.00 |
| W. M. U. | 135.00 |
| Vacation Bible School | 96.83 |
| Thermal Belt Youth Shelter | 1,200.00 |
| Green River Bapt. Ch. (Assoc. Dinner) | 75.00 |
| Z. D. Baker (House Payments) | 2,900.00 |
| N. C. N. B. (House Payments) | 966.72 |
| Z. D. Baker (Refund) | 500.00 |
| Z. D. Baker (Range Repair Paid Out) | 46.82 |
| Association Minutes | 362.49 |
| Gray and Creech (Supplies) | 327.91 |
| Arledge Printers (Envelopes) | 23.19 |
| Dean Grigg (Water Heater for House) | 152.95 |
| J. H. Smith (Blocks for wall at house) | 24.71 |
| Karen Whitmire (Day Camp) | 150.00 |
| World Mission Conference | 1,280.83 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$13,749.87 |

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES FOR ALL CAUSES 1975-76

| Churches | Regular | Land | Camp Dev. | Assoc. Home | Shelter | Min. | World M. CON |
|-------------|---------|--------|--------------|----------------|---------|------|-----------------|
| Beulah | 439.38 | 500.00 | | | | | 100.00 |
| Big Level | 475.00 | | 200.00 | 200.00 | | 5.00 | |
| Byars | 305.00 | | | 100.00 | | 7.50 | |
| Columbus | 990.00 | | | | | | 100.00 |
| Cooper's G. | 952.37 | | | 500.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Faith | 300.00 | 360.00 | | 118.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Faith Tem. | | 22.46 | | | | | |

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|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Green Riv. | 400.00 | 311.00 | 100.00 | 114.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Hickory G. | 1,077.61 | 525.60 | | 250.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Midway | 260.00 | | | | | | |
| Mill Sp. | 200.00 | 100.00 | 17.03 | | | | |
| Morgan Ch. | 250.00 | 50.00 | | | | | 100.00 |
| Pacolet | 487.87 | | | | | | 100.00 |
| Pacolet H. | | 226.80 | 10.00 | | | | 100.00 |
| Pea Ridge | 300.00 | 349.20 | | | 21.00 | | |
| Peniel | 240.00 | | | | 66.00 | | 100.00 |
| Sandy Sp. | 720.00 | 229.00 | | | | | |
| Silver Cr. | 360.00 | | | 240.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Tryon S. | 240.00 | 153.34 | | | 60.00 | | 100.00 |
| Warrior M. | 3.50 | 35.00 | | | | | 100.00 |
| Totals | <u>8,000.73</u> | <u>2,862.40</u> | <u>327.03</u> | <u>1,522.00</u> | <u>126.00</u> | <u>33.50</u> | <u>1,300.00</u> |

Grand total for all purposes for the year 1975-76—\$14,171.66.

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|---|---------------|-----------------|
| BALANCE OWING ON HOUSE OCTOBER 1, 1975 | | \$14,422.64 |
| Paid N C N B | 962.72 | |
| Paid Z. D. Baker | 2,900.00 | |
| Gift: Mr. and Mrs. Baker | <u>500.00</u> | |
| Total paid on house | | <u>4,366.72</u> |
| Total balance owing on house Oct. 1, 1976 | | 10,055.92 |
| Amount owing N C N B | 8,399.97 | |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1975-76—CAMP DEVELOPMENT

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Balance on hand October 1, 1975 | | \$ 515.04 |
| Receipts: | | |
| From the churches | 327.03 | |
| Mission Outlet Store | 600.00 | |
| Harry H. Gibson | 400.00 | |
| Cash Donations | 43.00 | |
| WMU Bake Sale | 53.20 | |
| Z. D. Baker | <u>25.00</u> | |
| Total | | <u>1,448.23</u> |
| Total to account for | | <u>1,963.27</u> |
| Less expenses | | <u>1,762.76</u> |
| Ending Balance 9/30/76 | | 200.51 |
| Expenses itemized | | |
| Jensons block and cement | 721.00 | |
| Ferry Hayes | 141.76 | |
| J. H. Smith | 43.19 | |
| Dean Grigg | 400.00 | |
| J. S. Burnett | 100.00 | |
| Arnold Emery | 189.35 | |
| E A | <u>167.44</u> | |
| Total expenditures | 1,762.76 | |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1975-76 CAMP LAND

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Balance on hand October 1, 1975 | | \$ 912.38 |
| Receipts: | | |
| Sale of Soybeans | \$1,026.46 | |
| Sam Marlowe | 1,185.00 | |
| Mission Outlet Store | 200.00 | |
| Harry H. Gibson | 125.00 | |
| Neely and Gibson | 125.00 | |
| Churches | 2,862.40 | |
| Donation from Miller Estate | <u>1,000.00</u> | |
| Total receipts | 6,523.86 | <u>6,523.86</u> |
| Total to be accounted for | | <u>7,436.24</u> |
| Less expenses, itemized below | | <u>7,290.29</u> |
| Balance on hand October 1, 1976 | | <u>145.95</u> |
| Expenses: | | |
| County Tax | 31.27 | |
| Sam T. Marlowe Surveyor | 1,185.00 | |
| Joe Miller Estate | 4,000.00 | |
| Miller Estate Donation | 1,000.00 | |
| Interest | <u>1,074.02</u> | |
| Total expenses | 7,290.29 | |
| Owed on Camp Ground October 1, 1976 | | \$26,000.00 |
| Paid in cash \$4,000.00 | | |
| Miller Donation 1,000.00 | | |
| Total paid | | <u>5,000.00</u> |
| Balance October 1, 1976 | | <u>21,000.00</u> |
| The Miller Estate's final donation of | | <u>1,000.00</u> |
| Actual amount of indebtedness | | \$20,000.00 |

POLK BAPTIST MISSION OUTLET STORE REPORT FOR YEAR 1975-76

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| On Hand October 1/75 | | \$ 674.65 |
| Receipts for the year | | <u>4,140.39</u> |
| Total to account for | | <u>4,815.04</u> |
| Expenses: | | |
| Rent | 1,200.00 | |
| Polk Baptist Association, Inc. | 800.00 | |
| Payroll | 1,755.11 | |
| Heat, Water, Lights | 519.25 | |
| Sales Tax | 177.83 | |
| Advertising | <u>50.10</u> | |
| Total Expenses | | <u>4,502.29</u> |
| Balance on hand October 1, 1976 | | <u>\$ 312.75</u> |

FOREIGN, HOME, AND STATE MISSIONS REPORT

1976 has been a year of cooperation. The celebration of the American Bicentennial emphasized the cooperative spirit of this nation. What Americans share in common outweighs their diversity. We are a United States because we are cooperative states.

Cooperation and diversity are cherished principles among Baptists. One hundred years before the nation's beginning, a Baptist leader, Roger Williams, opposed coercion in matters of religion. The broad principles of religious liberty, later guaranteed to all Americans, led to the founding of Rhode Island. Three years later, in 1639, the First Baptist Church in America was established there.

Cooperation and diversity are also basic to the Baptist mission program. We are a state convention of 3,458 autonomous churches coming together . . . "to promote missions, evangelism, education, social services." (Constitution Article 11). The Convention was founded for missions. It is held together because of missions. And its future growth depends upon a commitment to missions.

Mission programs in Foreign, Home and State areas depend upon the strength of the "sending churches" back home. Overseas and national missions look to the churches for prayer, concern, missionaries, and money. To be weak on the "home front" is to be even weaker in distant lands.

During the past year, one very exciting mission education experience was MISSION REVIVAL-76" held in our Association during September. Missionaries from overseas and at home presented the scope of our denomination's work in Foreign, Home, and State Missions. 13 of our churches participated directly and all participated more or less in some way in this week of mission education.

Mr. Baker is to be commended for the fine job of organizing this event.

Let's make a comparison between 1975 and 1976 in certain areas of mission interest and growth:

| GIVING | 1975 | 1976 |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Cooperative Program Gifts | \$17,590 | \$21,081 |
| Associational Mission Gifts | 8,280 | 14,171 |
| Designated Mission Gifts | 22,686 | 28,749 |
| Grand Total Mission Gifts | 48,927 | 49,730 |
| Total WMU Organization | 33 | 34 |
| Total WMU Ongoing Enrollment | 312 | 336 |
| Total Ongoing Brother Enrollment | 83 | 110 |

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Bullard

HISTORY OF PENIEL BAPTIST CHURCH

In 1920, with thirteen charter members, Peniel Baptist Church was organized under the leadership of Rev. H. G. Liner. Fifty years later, in 1970, four of the charter members were still living and a relative or several relatives of each charter member were participating in the activities of the church.

When the church was first organized, worship services were held in the Pleasant Hill School house and sometimes in a brush arbor, located across the road from the present church. During this time, the members were getting lumber ready

to build. Then they borrowed six hundred dollars, and work was begun on the first church building, which consisted only of an auditorium.

Sunday School was held each Sunday, and preaching was held twice a month—on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday afternoon preaching and conference continued through 1939.

An organ was used in the church until 1938, at which time it was traded in on the first piano for the church. Electricity was put in the church in 1940.

During 1947, the church building (the auditorium) was moved back from the road about twenty feet and four Sunday School rooms were added. Then new pews were installed in the church during 1951.

The 1960's were busy years for Peniel Baptist Church. In these years the parking lot was paved, the vestibule and the addition to the rear of the church were built, the baptistry was installed, and the sanctuary and the educational building were bricked. The fellowship building was constructed in 1975.

The Peniel Baptist Church maintains as her fundamental purposes the proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ and the extension of His Kingdom in the Peniel community and to the utmost parts of the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Bona Arledge, Historian

HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS IN OUR CHURCHES AS GLEANED FROM THE LETTERS

BEULAH: Bought $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land, cleared land, voted to build new church building, held ground break service and participated in "WORLD MISSION WEEK."

BYARS: Painted church building, graded land for recreation park, built shed over picnic grounds and tables.

COLUMBUS: Built two ramps into church building.

COOPER'S GAP: Voted to build educational space and renovate some.

FAITH: Installed central air conditioning, purchased new Baptist Hymnals.

FAITH TEMPLE: Minor improvements on church grounds.

GREEN RIVER: Started Library, finished table tops, purchased tape recorder, started WMU organization.

HICKORY GROVE: Enlarged and improved parking grounds.

MORGAN CHAPEL: Purchased tables and chairs for Fellowship Building.

PACOLET: Adopted church Constitution and By-Laws, built a new parsonage, new hymnals, and a new heating plant for Educational Building.

PACOLET HILLS: Ordained one Deacon.

PEA RIDGE: Began a full time ministry, purchased parsonage, started Sunday evening services, started bulletin service, organized Brotherhood.

PENIEL: Finished new Fellowship Building.

SANDY SPRINGS: Dedication service for Fellowship Building, shut-in tape ministry.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Paid off debt on church pews and carpet.

In Memoriam

Each year we have a long list of those who have departed our ranks to live in the great beyond. This year is no exception. We list the names below as they appear on the church letters to our association by churches.

BEULAH: Mrs. Lizzy Corney Henderson, Mr. Eugene Price.

BIG LEVEL: Mrs. Fannie Hudgins, Mr. Albert Griffin, Mrs. LeRoy Workman, Mrs. Vestal Earley, Mr. Ralph Edwards, Jr., Mr. Charlie Nodine.

BYARS:

COLUMBUS: Mr. Deal Cloud, Mr. Vetus McIntyre, Mr. James F. Ormand, Mrs. Forrest Tessener.

COOPER'S GAP: Mrs. Iona Gibbs, Mrs. Pairelee Ruff, Mr. J. W. Wilson.

FAITH: Mr. Ray C. Walker, Mrs. Mary B. Walker.

FAITH TEMPLE:

GREEN RIVER:

HICKORY GROVE: Mrs. Alma Prince

MIDWAY: Mr. Alfred Phillips

MILL SPRING: Mrs. Leila Culbreath, Mr. Pink McAbee, Mr. Henry Thompson, Mr. A. J. Nodine, Mrs. Mary Walker, Mr. Henry Moss, Mr. Galispie Walker.

MORGAN CHAPEL: Mr. Thomas Page.

PACOLET: Mrs. Pauline Shehan, Mrs. Tish Searcy Burrell, Mr. David Bradshaw.

PACOLET HILLS:

PEA RIDGE: Mr. Watson Price, Mrs. Carrie Price, Mrs. Iva Taylor, Mrs. Exie Bates.

PHENIEL: Mrs. Nina Pittman.

PINE ANDY SPRINGS: Mrs. Carrie Cole, Mrs. Theresa Jolley.

SILVER CREEK: Mrs. Mary Laughter, Mr. Arthur Garrett, Mrs. Lewis Denton.

TRYON SECOND:

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Barbara Phillips.

MESSENGERS AND OTHERS ATTENDING THE ANNUAL MEETING

BEULAH: Hugh Champion, Marion Champion, Lee Pittman, Mrs. Lee Pittman, Eugene Champion.

BIG LEVEL: Dorothy Bailey, Alice Skipper, Rev. G. W. Lynch, Eddie Bailey, G. G. Haynes, Florence Gilbert.

BYARS: Henry Owensby, Gene Wilson.

COLUMBUS: Charles Bullard, Rev. and Mrs. Z. D. Baker.

COOPER'S GAP: Rev. and Mrs. Roy Cable, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Corn, Inez Whitmire, Ailene Wilson, Mrs. L. V. McGuinn, Viola B. Ruff, Donnie Dotson, R. G. Burger.

FAITH: Ron Gilbert, Addie Lee Thompson, Jerry Padgett, Wilma Jolley.

FAITH TEMPLE: Rev. and Mrs. Bill Painter, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Reid, Donald Blackwell.

GREEN RIVER: Rev. and Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw and Jonathan, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Justice.

HICKORY GROVE: Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Searcy, Mrs. Larry Stott, Blanche Raburn, Mrs. W. H. Stott, Mrs. Clara Wilson.

MIDWAY: Rev. Lawrence Jackson, Lewis Miller, Mrs. Blanche Arledge.
 MILL SPRING: Rev. and Mrs. Allen Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pack, Mrs. Ruby Jackson.
 MORGAN CHAPEL: Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Willard, Anna Campbell, Rosteet Flynn.
 PACOLET: Rev. Bill Linnins, Stewart Bradshaw, Annie Edwards.
 PEA RIDGE: Rev. Joe Wood, Oliver Taylor, Becky Champion, George Rollins, and Mrs. Rollins.
 PENIEL: Rev. and Mrs. Bill Pate, Jr., Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Cochran, Albert Durham, Mickey Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Durham and Carolyn, Sam Marlowe, Charlie Wilson, Leroy Carruth, Mrs. Lucille Durham, Louise Jackson, Jervey Durham, and Mrs. Durham, Preston Skipper, J. D. Rhymer and Kathy.
 SANDY SPRINGS: Harold Putman, Rev. B. M. Strickland, Leroy McCraw.
 SILVER CREEK: Rev. and Mrs. Robert Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. N. Bona Arledge, Ruby Walker, Madge Russell, Charity Bradley, Donald A. Sain, Mrs. Nellie Edwards.
 TRYON SECOND: Rev. Bruce Johnson, Sybil Burrell, Hope Hipp.
 WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Rev. Herman Bright, Mrs. Donald Byrd, Mary C. Gravely.
 Many others who did not register.
 VISITORS: Rev. and Mrs. Woodrow Hill, (Biblical Recorder Representatives)
 Rev. and Mrs. Bob Bruhn, (Raleigh Office Representatives)
 Rev. Rex Trexler, (Higher Education, Gardner-Webb College)
 Rev. Ralph Cannon, (Homes for the Aging Representative, Asheville)
 Rev. Herman Hicks, (Baptist Hospital Representative, Round Hill, Pastor
 Mr. Clyde Morris, (Children's Homes, Asheville, Representative)

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR

January Meeting

Meeting called to order by Rev. Z. D. Baker in the absence of Rev. Roy Cable, Mod. Song, "Blessed Be The Name" led by Rev. Bill Pate, Jr., Charlene Pate at the piano. Scripture and prayer by Rev. Charles Bullard. Recognition of the new clerk and also new pastors by Rev. Baker. Roll call of churches, 14 represented. Sunday School Report by Boyce Bradshaw and announced a Sunday School Rally to be held at Hickory Grove. Training Union Report by T. W. Searcy and announced that the "M" Night program would serve as the Quarterly meeting. Brotherhood Report by Allen Wilson. Music Report by Charlene Pate. The Financial Report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley. Vote of approval was made by vice-moderator Leroy McCraw. Rev. Baker made comments about progress of Mission Outlet Store. Distribution of minutes to various churches with explanations. Rev. Baker announced "World Mission Week Sept. 4-9."

Rev. Baker presented a challenge to the Association that if the Association would raise \$2,000.00 by April the Bakers would give to the Association \$500.00. Motion made to accept the challenge. Plans were discussed to have Association incorporated. Rev. Bill Pate asked how much we owe on Youth Shelter. Rev. Baker responded we are still paying \$100.00 per month and will until debt is paid. Rev. Baker stated that we still owe \$26,000 on land at assembly and suggested that we pay \$1,000 on the \$5,000 we owe for the year. Motion was made and seconded. Carried. Rev. Searcy asked when each church would get their land allotment. Baker

said as soon as architect finished plans. Motion was made that we pay the taxes for 1976. Moved and approved. A special word of thanks was given by Baker to General Haynes, and others from Big Level Church, to the Westbrooks and Rev. Allen Wilson for their contributions.

Dismissal prayer was led by Boyce Bradshaw.

Minutes of the April Meeting

The Polk Baptist Executive Committee was called to order by Vice-Moderator Leroy McCraw. Rev. Ron Gilbert read Scripture and had prayer. Rev. Roy Cable announced the Cantata to be held at Mill Springs School on Friday night at 7:30. A joint project by the churches. The Treasurer's Report was approved as printed. Rev. T. W. Searcy made motion that the Mission Outlet Store transfer \$200 to the Camp Development project. There was no opposition.

Rev. Searcy made a motion that we transfer from general funds enough to pay Mr. Baker the \$2,000 to meet the challenge offer of \$500 from the Bakers. Motion passed without opposition. This money to be returned to the General fund as the money comes in.

The Thermal Belt Report was given out. Nineteen members were present with 8 churches represented. Jack Jolley brought a recommendation that the water heater in parsonage be replaced and that a pressure meter be installed also. Dear Grigg was authorized to do the work. Motion approved without opposition. Church Training Report was given by T. W. Searcy. He suggested that we teach our people what we believe as Baptists. The Missions Report was given by Mr. Searcy also stating that the Missionary had been very busy with the January Bible Study and all other work. He brought a suggestion that we divide the association into 4 groups of five churches each. Each year one group to be host to the Annual Association while meeting at one church.

There was no opposition to the suggestion. Rev. Searcy announced that the Youth Choir at Hickory Grove would present the musical, "Alleluia" that night. Mr. Burch Corn asked for the floor. He said, "A home made man is the best man there is." He knew Rev. Baker as a boy, carrying water and appreciated the work he was doing in the Association. John Gibbs made a motion that we name the Association Campground for Rev. Baker. Ted Owens seconded the motion. The Executive Committee to make the proposal to the Association. As a vote everyone stood in approval.

Meeting adjourned.

July Meeting

The Executive Committee met on July 10, 1976. Called to order by Moderator Cable. Song—"Glory to His Name," led by Mrs. Searcy with Rev. Bill Pate at the piano. Responsive Reading led by Moderator and Prayer by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Roll call of churches revealed 12 churches with 22 persons present. Minutes were read and approved. Brotherhood Report by Rev. Allen Wilson suggesting that each church form a soft ball team. Some churches reported teams already, others to follow suit. A committee consisting of Preston Bowyer, Joe Owensby and Rev. Wilson were appointed to spearhead these activities. Mrs. Searcy gave the WMU Report and asked for an additional \$85 to help pay expenses to Ridgecrest of her team. Request granted. Missions Report was given by Rev. T. W. Searcy. Expressions of gratitude for the work of the missionary were expressed. Motion was

made to take \$500 from the regular fund to reimburse Rev. Baker for money spent on the Bath House. It was revealed that he had spent \$733, but that he would donate the \$233. Rev. Cable announced the new Day Camp Schedule. Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Bradshaw asking for someone to go with him to Ridgecrest July 28. There was no Training Report.

VBS Report was called for by Rev. Baker. A written financial report was passed out and approved. Motion was made by Rev. Searcy that we transfer \$200 from Store fund to pay on the land. Approved. Motion was made that we transfer \$300 from Store fund to pay Dean Grigg for plumbing at Bath House. Motion carried. It was stated that Warrior Mountain Church had installed a permanent switch box and had wired the Bath House as a donation. Rev. Baker turned over a gift made to him by Warrior Mountain pastor in the amount of \$35.00 and a VBS gift of \$22.41 from Faith Temple Church to go on land and development. The Nominating Committee presented a slate of officers which was approved. A request was made to the churches to get the money in for World Missions Week. Pastor's Conference was announced. A call was made for new business.

Ted Owens made an appeal for more people to attend the Deacon's Retreat. Announcements were made pertaining to Revivals on schedule. Remarks were made concerning new set-up in store operation. The store is now to be operated on a percentage after all bills are paid, 75 percent to operator and 25 percent to association. Motion approved. Motion to adjourn and prayer was offered by Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr.

Mrs. William Painter, Clerk

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1976

Our Mission outreach in the Association this year has seen a good growth in the churches. They are sharing financially as well as spiritually. Our associational mission work can only move as the churches respond.

We have experienced another good year. We have seen our Assembly Ground develop, our churches have selected their lots, a well has been put into operation, a large bath house has been built and other improvements are on the way. Another experience was our first effort to have a program for our youth during the month of July. We had an attendance of over 85 boys and girls during the month.

Our greatest effort was, "THE WORLD MISSIONS WEEK." Our people were privileged to hear and share with some of our missionaries from around the world. Not only were they privileged to hear and share, but to learn more about our great convention as it endeavors to share the Gospel with a lost world.

Thirteen of our twenty churches were involved nightly, but all were involved in some way.

Respectfully submitted,
T. W. Searcy, Missions Committee Chairman

Your Missions Committee makes the following recommendation. That we group the Association into 4 groups of 5 churches each. Namely group no. 1, 2, 3, and 4. The main purpose is so that each group might entertain the association once every four years. Cooper's Gap will be the host church for the group no. 1 next year and in four more years another church in the group might be selected, with the other four serving as co-host, and so on until every church would have ar

opportunity to serve as host, with the assistance of the other churches as co-host. Regardless of the size of the church they could entertain the association because of the help of other churches. This would also eliminate the \$75.00 from the budget each year going to assist the host church. We would also rotate other meetings by group during the years. This will be voted on and if approved, become a part of our constitution.

MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR

I have been in every church one or more times. I have visited in church services either morning or evening 50 different times. Led in 6 Prayer Services. Preached 27 sermons in regular worship services. Served out of association on 6 different occasions. Attended 30 meetings in the association, including Pastor's conferences. Worked or attended 5 funerals, led 2 Bible Schools, taught January Bible Study in 11 churches, 1 minister and 1 deacon ordination. Preached in 2 revivals, attended the State Convention, Evangelistic Conference and Southern Baptist Convention in Norfolk, VA.

Preached at Polk Central Commencement Service.

Led Association in World Missions Week, published 4,800 bulletins, wrote hundreds of letters, held many individual conferences, and traveled 16,067 miles.

Respectfully submitted,
Zeb D. Baker, Supt. of Missions

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1976-77

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

| | | |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Sunday School | \$ 50.00 | |
| Church Training | 50.00 | |
| WMU | 200.00 | |
| VBS | 75.00 | |
| Brotherhood | 25.00 | |
| Music | 75.00 | |
| Associational Speakers | 75.00 | |
| Associational Minutes | 400.00 | |
| | <u>950.00</u> | \$ 950.00 |

II. Associational Office:

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Printing and Supplies | 200.00 | |
| Telephone | 225.00 | |
| Office, Heat, Lights, Etc. | 180.00 | |
| Petty Cash, Postage, Permit, etc. | 400.00 | |
| Insurance | 175.00 | |
| | <u>1,180.00</u> | 1,180.00 |

III. Salaries and Utilities:

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|----------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Superintendent of Missions | 2,500.00 | |
| Secretary | 2,500.00 | |
| Utilities | 670.00 | |
| | <u>5,670.00</u> | 5,670.00 |

V. OTHER EXPENSES:

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|-------------------------------|--------|
| Southern, State and Ev. Conf. | 400.00 |
| Homes for the Aging | 300.00 |

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Salary for Summer Worker and etc. | 1,800.00 | |
| Youth Shelter | 1,200.00 | |
| House Payments | 966.72 | |
| Annuity | 240.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 200.00 | |
| | <u>5,106.72</u> | <u>5,106.72</u> |

Grand Total Budget

\$12,906.72

House Payments:

NCNB.

\$80.56 Monthly

Balance on House—\$8,399.97

Respectfully submitted,
Finance Committee

Your FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT EACH CHURCH CONSIDER GIVING AT LEAST 5 PERCENT OF THE OFFERING PLATE DOLLAR TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS. This will be an increase for most of our churches, but we need this amount in order to operate the association as we ought.

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

At this time we would like to thank the Peniel Church for inviting us here today, and also for preparing the delicious meal.

We appreciate those who serve on committees and those who serve as representatives from our churches.

We are grateful for the work Rev. Baker does and is doing to help us make our Association a working unity.

Thank each one of you for attending today.

Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1976

The Sunday School is the largest and most important structure of Southern Baptist churches. Throngs of Sunday School people come together to study God's Word.

We had an ongoing Sunday School enrolment in 1974-75 of 2,268. In 1975-76 we had an enrolment of 2,360 or an increase of 92. Let's continue to pray and work to build our Sunday Schools.

We had a Sunday School Rally in February 1976. Mr. Harry Clarke from the State S. S. Department came and spoke on Sunday School work.

This Associational year we are planning to help our Associational S. S. work. Here is a list of projects which should help our S. S. work.

1. May we all (churches) have January Bible Study.
2. On March 21, we are planning an Associational Training School.

3. On April 19, there will be a Bible Teaching/Learning Workshop in Rutherfordton at night.

4. Another Bible Study Teaching/Learning Workshop will be in Morganton in April all day. These two workshops will have state workers leading them.

5. September 8, we are planning a Pastor-Director Planning Workshop. Please take note and mark these dates in your calendar.

Respectfully submitted,
Boyce Bradshaw

THERMAL BELT YOUTH SHELTER REPORT

The idea of a ministry to youth in crisis was first conceived in the Spring of 1973, and in the Fall, at the annual meeting, the Polk Association appointed Mrs. Wanda West, Mr. Harold Burrell, and Rev. Charles Bullard to work with persons from Green River and Sandy Run Associations on a co-operative venture in this type of ministry.

We knew from the beginning God's approval of this ministry as one door after another was opened to make the ministry become a reality. A house was purchased in Forest City. The Baptist Children's Homes of N. C. agreed to provide staff and services. Churches responded with gifts. Individuals volunteered time, money, and effort. And, the Shelter opened its doors in the spring of 1975. To date over fifty youth have been served through the Shelter.

Little did we dream at first, when the debt was about \$50,000.00, that we might be "debt free" by the end of 1976—but it is possible. The Board of Directors has extended a challenge to churches in the three associations: Let's COMPLETE THE JOB IN '76. We need to raise about \$8,000.00 in gifts by December 31, 1976. Will you encourage your church to make a gift toward this objective?

Consider, also, what this will mean in terms of the ongoing expenses of the Shelter. The projected budget of the Shelter would be reduced so that POLK ASSOCIATION'S "fair share" participation would be about \$600.00 per year. (Or about 20 cents per year per resident member.)

Now that the Shelter is a reality, licensed by the N. C. Department of Social Services, and incorporated under the laws of N. C. as a non-profit institution, it is necessary for Polk Association to appoint (or elect) three (3) members to serve on the Board of Directors of the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter.

I recommend that this be done at this session of our Annual Association 1976.

The following is a brief financial report—as of August 5, 1976

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total contributions to date | \$45,169.49 |
| Other receipts (reimbursements, etc.) | 942.99 |
| Grand total receipts | <u>\$46,112.48</u> |

Disbursements:

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|------------------------|-------------|
| Payment on House | \$31,091.14 |
| Renovation and Repairs | 3,842.40 |
| Furnishings | 6,442.02 |
| Utilities | 2,799.79 |
| Insurance | 363.00 |
| Printing | 660.99 |

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|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Kick off Banquet | 500.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | <u>183.62</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | 45,882.96 |
| Cash on Hand | | <u>229.52</u> |
| Total | | \$46,112.48 |

Owe on House—\$8,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Bullard

REPORT OF TIME, PLACE, PREACHER COMMITTEE

The place will be COOPER'S GAP BAPTIST CHURCH.

The time will be OCTOBER 27, 1977.

The Preacher will be REV. T. W. SEARCY, Pastor of Hickory Grove.

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Owens, Chairman of Committee

VBS REPORT FOR 1976

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|---------------------------------------|----|
| Number of churches in the Association | 20 |
| Number of churches with VBS | 20 |

Number achievement recognitions: Merit 13 and Advanced 1, for a total of 14.

Columbus, Cooper's Gap, Faith Temple, Green River, Hickory Grove, Mill Spring, Morgan Chapel, Pacolet, Pacolet Hills, Peniel, Pea Ridge, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain all achieved Merit ratings.

Byars received Advanced Recognition.

Total enrollment 1124, average attendance, 1003.

Number of VBS sessions 20 churches with 5, for a total of 100 hours.

5 churches held 2 hours daily, 6 held 2½ hours daily, and 9 held 3 hours.

All 29 churches held daily Joint Worship Services. 11 at Morning and 9 in the evening.

Departments in Joint Worship, 19 preschool, 20 children, 17 youth, 1 adult.

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| Joint Worship held | 20 |
| Number enrolled in Adult VBS | 8 |
| Number professions of faith | 24 |
| Number rededications | 9 |
| Number pupils not in S. S. | 65 |
| Number parents not in any S. S. | 119 |
| Total prospects not in S. S. | 184 |
| Number using S. Baptist literature | 18 |

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|------------------------------|------------|
| Cost of Curriculum materials | \$1,453.00 |
| All other VBS expenses | 867.00 |

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| Offerings for Missions through the Coop Program | \$383.49 |
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| Offering for Missions not through Coop Program | 251.00 |
| Total Mission offering | <u>\$634.49</u> |

Respectfully submitted,
 Reva B. Cable, ASSOC. VBS Director

WOMAN’S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT FOR 1976

We have had a very challenging year in Missionary Union for our Association. New organizations have been started, and plans are being made to begin others. We had leadership training for all the churches, a Prayer Retreat and two sessions: The Spring and Fall meetings. The highlight of our year, was all our ladies participated in the “WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE.” We sponsored the World Missions “TEA” that was held on Sunday, September 5. Missionaries being “IN OUR MIDST” made all more mission-minded. I believe that all of us will strive in the future to study more, learn more, dedicate more of ourselves to missions; because the experience of that week. As we think of the new year 1976-77, bold plans have been made for special meetings for our women, Acteens, G. A., and Mission Friends. We trust as we work, together with God, and each other . . . that Missions will truly become a part of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
 Mrs. T. W. Searcy
 Polk Baptist Assoc., WMU Director

NEW OFFICERS FOR 1976-77

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| WMU Director | Mrs. T. W. Searcy |
| Assistant WMU Director | Mrs. Leo Campbell |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Mrs. N. L. Masternick |
| Baptist Women Director | Mrs. Eunice Jolley |
| Acteen Director | Mrs. James Fisher |
| GA Director | Mrs. Wayne Shields |
| Mission Friends | Mrs. John Womack |



Statistical Tables

| TABLE A. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1976 | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|------|-------|-----|---------------------|----------------------------|----------|---|--------------------------------|-----|----------------|--|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| Association | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Clerk | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MRS. WILLIAM PAINTER | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | Box 213 | City | State | Zip | PASTORS & ADDRESSES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | County | Year organized as a church | Location | | Services held twice on Sunday? | | Total Baptisms | Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.) | Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.) | Present resident members | Present nonresident members | Grand total present members | No. members received from non-Baptist churches | No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches | Value of pastor's home if owned by the church | Value of church property including pastor's home | Total church debt at end of this associational year | |
| | | | | | | | | Y | N | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1889 | 1 | x | | 4 | 0 | 12 | 140 | 139 | 279 | 0 | 1 | 23000 | 38000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1881 | 1 | x | | 3 | 14 | 19 | 143 | 52 | 195 | 0 | 0 | 20000 | 60000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1956 | 1 | x | | 12 | 9 | 1 | 98 | 4 | 102 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 20000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1857 | 3 | | x | 12 | 8 | 10 | 268 | 141 | 409 | 0 | 1 | 28000 | 181000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1834 | 1 | x | | 11 | 7 | 8 | 252 | 60 | 312 | 0 | 0 | 30000 | 115000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1967 | 2 | x | | 16 | 4 | 3 | 112 | 23 | 133 | 0 | 0 | 10000 | 90000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1970 | 1 | x | | 5 | 4 | 0 | 54 | 8 | 62 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1875 | 1 | | x | 4 | 1 | 3 | 160 | 43 | 203 | 0 | 0 | 8000 | 150000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1906 | 1 | x | | 11 | 3 | 5 | 162 | 98 | 260 | 0 | 0 | 25000 | 150000 | 12890 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1940 | 1 | x | | 0 | 2 | 5 | 126 | 46 | 172 | 0 | 0 | 22000 | 42000 | 3167 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1787 | 2 | x | | 2 | 6 | 7 | 164 | 68 | 232 | 0 | 0 | 40000 | 80000 | 2285 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1909 | 1 | x | | 3 | 1 | 8 | 95 | 85 | 180 | 0 | 0 | 18000 | 87000 | 10000 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1916 | 2 | x | | 0 | 5 | 12 | 60 | 100 | 160 | 0 | 0 | 50000 | 120000 | 36376 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1949 | 1 | x | | 2 | 0 | 1 | 66 | 33 | 99 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100000 | 23500 | 12956 | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1916 | 1 | x | | 8 | 9 | 10 | 120 | 61 | 181 | 0 | 0 | 32000 | 95000 | 12956 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1920 | 1 | x | | 5 | 4 | 18 | 122 | 124 | 246 | 0 | 0 | 20000 | 150000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1958 | 1 | x | | 3 | 3 | 13 | 194 | 104 | 298 | 0 | 0 | 25000 | 160000 | 16216 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1840 | 1 | x | | 6 | 4 | 6 | 123 | 119 | 242 | 0 | 0 | 18000 | 168000 | 4789 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1924 | 2 | x | | 0 | 5 | 15 | 143 | 29 | 172 | 0 | 0 | 18000 | 58000 | 0 | | |
| | | | | | Polk | 1933 | 1 | x | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 36 | 69 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 39000 | 0 | 0 | |
| | | | | | TOTALS | | | | | 108 | 199 | 159 | 2635 | 1372 | 4006 | 1 | 2 | 377000 | 1919000 | 122173 | | |

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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| Association POLK | NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Church V. B. S. enrollment | Mission V. B. S. enrollment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Associational Sunday School Director REV. BOYCE BRADSHAW | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Address | | City | | State | | Zip | | Rutherfordton | | | | | | | | | | | | | | N. C. | | 28139 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | | Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 21 | 17 | 15 | 5 | 40 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 150 | 86 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 70 | 0 | |
| Big Level | | David Miller, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 13 | 11 | 21 | 0 | 24 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 115 | 105 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 58 | 0 | |
| Byars | | Marvin Wilson, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 6 | 12 | 15 | 4 | 24 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 89 | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 80 | 0 | |
| Columbus | | Lonnie Hall, Jr., Box 304, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 17 | 27 | 35 | 0 | 18 | 49 | 24 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 195 | 110 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 0 |
| Cooper's Gap | | Ted B. Owens, Box 723, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 29 | 23 | 31 | 46 | 49 | 47 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 250 | 166 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 91 | 0 |
| Faith | | Frank Walker, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 12 | 10 | 13 | 7 | 13 | 30 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 108 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 |
| Faith Temple | | Jeff Reid, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 8 | 14 | 16 | 1 | 17 | 29 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 90 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 0 |
| Green River | | Buford Harris, Rt. 1, Chesnee, SC | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 14 | 21 | 21 | 0 | 18 | 28 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 134 | 79 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 0 |
| Hickory Grove | | Earl Steadman, 107 S. Edgewood Ave., Landrum, SC 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 18 | 27 | 11 | 9 | 16 | 51 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 159 | 141 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86 | 0 |
| Midway | | E. S. Burnettnet, Jr., Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 4 | 13 | 10 | 5 | 6 | 12 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 82 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 |
| Mill Spring | | Mrs. Claude Pack, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 0 | 16 | 17 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 76 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 0 |
| Morgan Chapel | | Roy Laughter, Rt. 1, Campobello, SC | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 35 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 81 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 0 |
| Pocolet | | Artice Ballard, Lynn 28750 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 52 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| Pocolet Hills | | Lewis Flynn, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 23 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 64 | 45 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 41 | 0 |
| Pea Ridge | | Frank Price, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 22 | 20 | 32 | 6 | 27 | 59 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 167 | 89 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 66 | 0 |
| Peniel | | Calvin Owens, 108 Rickert Ave., Landrum, SC 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 13 | 22 | 8 | 10 | 19 | 26 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 126 | 88 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 76 | 0 |
| Sandy Springs | | Donald Yelton, Rt. 2, Inman 29349 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 11 | 14 | 31 | 25 | 9 | 39 | 12 | 21 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 174 | 110 | 2 | 40 | 0 | 60 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | | Charles Jones, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8 | 10 | 12 | 17 | 20 | 0 | 28 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 123 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 0 |
| Tryon Second | | Edward Justice, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 7 | 5 | 16 | 0 | 8 | 21 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 75 | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 0 |
| Warrior Mountain | | Donald E. Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda 28773 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 50 | 42 | 1 | 20 | 0 | 31 | 0 |
| TOTALS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 81 | 240 | 296 | 335 | 137 | 332 | 509 | 318 | 4 | 14 | 74 | 20 | 2360 | 1569 | 4 | 68 | 0 | 1124 | 0 |

| TABLE C TRAINING UNION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1976 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Association | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Training Union Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| REV. T. W. SEARCY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rt. 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CityLandrum | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| StateS. C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zip29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 | 81 | 82 | Children | Youth | Adult | Church Leader Training Registration | Short Term Member Registration | Average weekly Church Training attendance |
| Big Level | Dwight Lynch, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | | | | | | |
| Byars | None | 10 | 9 | 16 | 10 | 13 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 58 |
| Columbus | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coopers Gap | Mrs. Joyce Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 25 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 53 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 |
| Faith | Phillip McCall, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 30 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| Faith Temple | Danny Painter, P. O. Box 213, Columbus 28722 | 6 | 10 | 20 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 |
| Green River | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | James Fisher, Box 88, Landrum, SC 29356 | 6 | 18 | 12 | 12 | 25 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 94 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 68 |
| Midway | William A. Mills, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Mill Spring | Broadus McKee, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Morgan Chapel | Mrs. Bernice Holbert, 1520 Rutherford Rd., Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Pacolet | Rev. Bill Linnins, Lynn 28750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| Pacolet Hills | Hubert Chitwood, Boyce St., Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| Pea Ridge | None | | | | | | | | | 34 | | | | | | 28 |
| Peniel | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | Mrs. Betty Shields, Rt. 1, Chesnee, SC 29323 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 15 | 25 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 75 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 |
| Silver Creek | Kenneth Williams, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 18 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Tryon Second | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mountain | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | 42 | 66 | 103 | 73 | 198 | 72 | 450 | 0 | 636 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 478 |

| TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC | | 1976 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Association | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Music Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MRS. CHARLENE PATE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rt. 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tryon | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N. C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zip | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | | 20 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Big Level | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Byars | | 2 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Columbus | | 0 | 25 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cooper's Gap | | 0 | 15 | 10 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Faith | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Faith Temple | | 4 | 10 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Green River | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hickory Grove | | 2 | 16 | 15 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Midway | | 0 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mill Spring | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Pacolet Hills | | 6 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pea Ridge | | 3 | 17 | 15 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Sandy Springs | | 10 | 12 | 15 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | | 0 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tryon Second | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Warrior Mountain | | 0 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Beulah Big Level Byars Columbus Cooper's Gap | Mrs. Doris Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 24 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Linda Sensing, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Myrtle Masternick, Box 73, Columbus 28722 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 29 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Faith Faith Temple Green River Hickory Grove Midway | None | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Pauline Henson, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Vivian Searcy, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 8 | 19 | 0 | 17 | 8 | 54 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Bessie Pack, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel Pacolet Pacolet Hills Pea Ridge | Mrs. Ann Campbell, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Ann Randall, Lynn 28750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Judy Smith (Dean), Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Louise Flynn, 119 Warrior Mt. Rd., Tryon 28781 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 13 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peniel Sandy Springs Silver Creek Tryon Second Warrior Mountain | Mrs. Eunice Jolley, Rt. 1, Chesnee, SC 29323 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 65 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 22 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Martha Gibbs, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mrs. Donald Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda 28773 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Mill Spring | N. C. | 28756 | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Big Level | Nelson Miller, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Byars | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbus | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cooper's Gap | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Faith | No name listed | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Faith Temple | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Green River | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | None listed | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Midway | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mill Spring | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pacolet | Norman Foster, Lynn 28750 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | None | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pea Ridge | Preston Bowyer, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peniel | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | LeRoy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton 28139 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Silver Creek | Donal Sain, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tryon Second | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mountain | Gene Anderson, P. O. Box 194, Saluda 28773 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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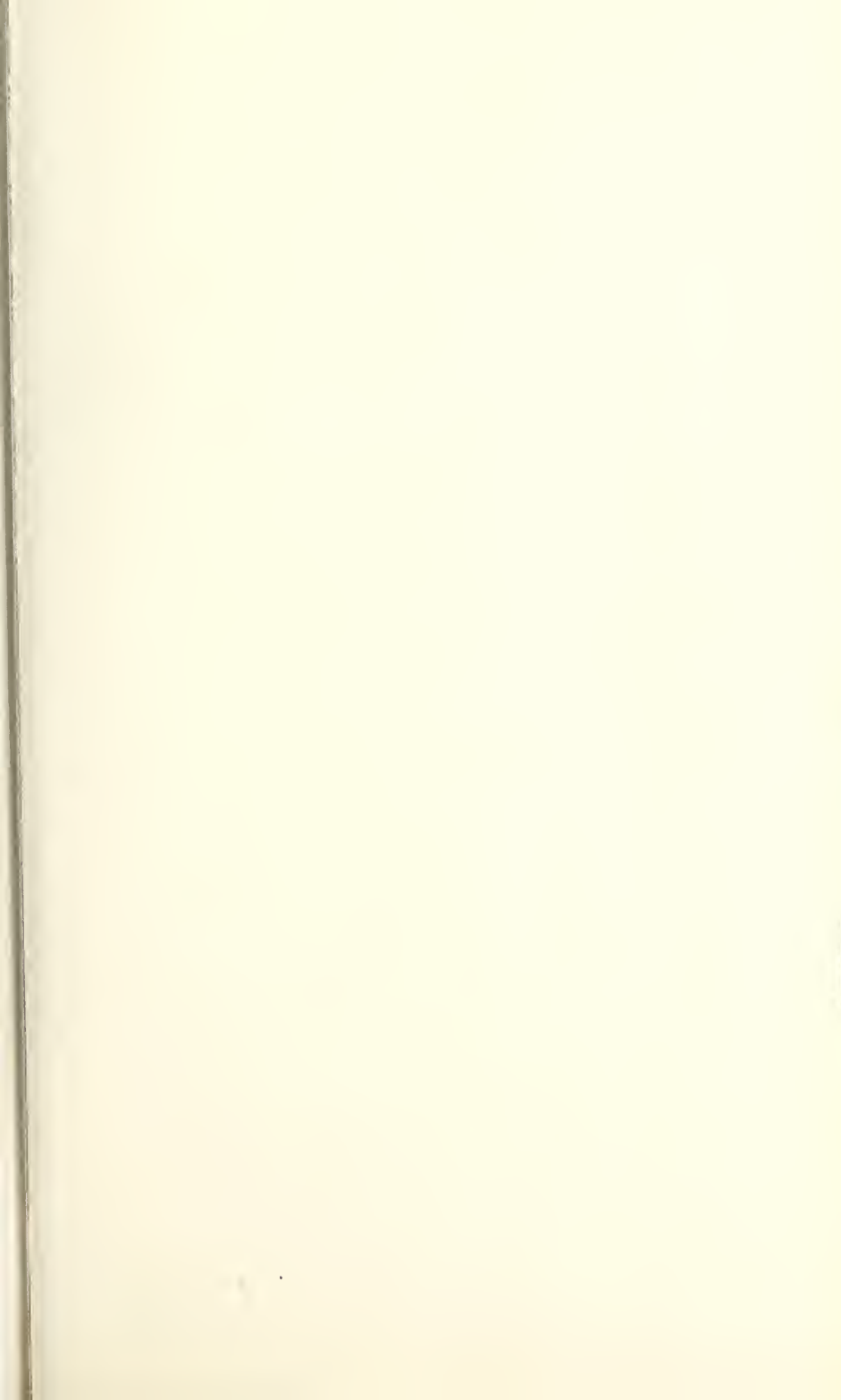
TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1976

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| Association POLK | | Zip 28722 |
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| CHURCHES | TREASURERS & ADDRESSES | TOTALS |
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| Beulah | Ronnie Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | |
| Big Level | Floyd Dyer, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Byars | Mrs. Hubert Russell, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Columbus | Mrs. Frances Pace, Box 74, Columbus 28722 | |
| Cooper's Gap | Mrs. Ailean Wilson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Faith | Frank B. Johnson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Faith Temple | Robert Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Green River | James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton 28139 | |
| Hickory Grove | Bill Hodge, P. O. Box 433, Landrum, SC 29356 | |
| Midway | John Gibbs, Columbus 28722 | |
| Mill Spring | Henry Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Box 183, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Morgan Chapel | Mrs. Rachel Dills, Rt. 1, Campobello, SC | |
| Pacolet | Mrs. Bernice Raven, Box 54, Tryon 28782 | |
| Pacolet Hills | Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | |
| Pea Ridge | Kenneth Edwards, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Peniel | Albert Durham, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | |
| Sandy Springs | Mrs. Edna McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton 28139 | |
| Silver Creek | Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | |
| Tryon Second | Mrs. Hope Hipp, Box 33, Lynn 28750 | |
| Warrior Mountain | Mrs. Shirley Anderson, Box 194, Saluda 28733 | |
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| TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1976 | 136 | 137 | 138 | 139 | 140 | 141 | 142 | 143 | 144 | 145 | 146 | 147 | 148 | 149 | 150 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Big Level | Leonard Greene, Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Hickory Grove | Russell Stott, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Morgan Chapel | Landrum Flynn, 105 N. Oak St., Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacolet | Norman Foster, Lynn 28750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacolet Hills | C. H. Lewis, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pea Ridge | Preston Bowyer, Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Peniel | Donnell Flynn, 119 Warrior Mt. Rd., Tryon 28782 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sandy Springs | Donald Yelton, Rt. 2, Inman, SC 29349 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | Beauford Arledge, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tryon Second | Donald Hipp, Box 33, Lynn 28750 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Warrior Mountain | Donald E. Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda 28773 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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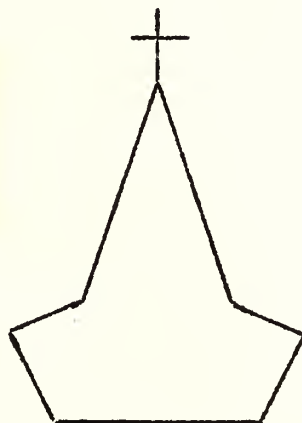


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OCTOBER 27, 1977

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Route 2
Mill Spring, North Carolina 28756

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"LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT"



"THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING"
will be held at

BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH
Route 1
Tryon, North Carolina 28782

October 26, 1978

1:00 P.M.

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OFFICE
Route 1, Box 414
Blanton Street
Columbus, North Carolina 28722

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 704-894-3372

Rev. Roy D. Cable
Director of Missions

DEDICATION

We dedicate this annual to Rev. Z.D. Baker, 1201 Edgedale Dr. Salisbury, North Carolina 28144.

Brother Zeb Baker served the Polk Baptist Association from January 1, 1973, until April 1, 1977 as the Director of Missions.

Brother Baker served every church alike and every person as a Brother or Sister in Jesus as Lord of All. His teaching, preaching, counseling, and administrating gifts brought our churches closer together and lifted the spiritual life of all our people in Polk County. In addition to all of the personal ministry activities, Brother Baker led the association to new highs in all church programs.

During these years, the association established its campground ministry, the clothing store ministry, purchased the director's home and office equipment, and grounded itself in Bible teaching.

We thank God for His gift of Brother Z.D., Zeb, Baker to us as our first Director of Missions!

"LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT"

1977 - 1979 Theme

Willingness to give ourselves away is the emphasis of the Great Commission in Matthew 28: 19-20.

As we think of "Letting the Church Reach Out", we see the responsibility that God's love constrains us to have in giving ourselves to others.

Every church that gives its fellowship to others will fulfill this privilege of service to the surrounding community.

Our theme for the next two years reflects the over-all need of our community churches in the world today. As we see whole families lost without Christ or the love of the congregation, we realize how urgent our task is in reaching out to our neighbors.

The love of God through the local congregation will woo the hearts of people and under the influence of Christ-Centered teaching and preaching the lost will be converted by God's power and presence.

WHAT A DAY TO BE PART OF SUCH A GREAT MOVEMENT! Let us ,

"LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT!"

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PROGRAM

- 1:00 Registration
- 1:15 Call to Worship - Congregational Singing - Mr. Larry Bishop
Scripture and Prayer - Rev. Don Harris
Welcome by Host Pastor - Rev. Van Merrill
Declaration of 8th Annual Program - Mr. Leroy McGraw
Adoption of Program - Rev. T.W. Searcy
Presentation of Book of Reports - Rev. Roy Cable
Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors - Rev. Roy Cable
Business Session - Mr. Leroy McGraw
Special Music - Larry Bishop
Baptist Children's Home Program - Rev. Richard Bass
 Children's Ministries Youth Shelter Home
 Homes for Unwed Mothers Homes for the Aging
Adoption of Reports
Hymn - Mr. Larry Bishop Special Music - Mr. Larry Bishop
Annual Sermon - "Let the Church Reach Out-Evangelism" - Rev. Ron Gilbert
- 3:45 Break (15 min.)
- 4:00 Hymn - Mr. Larry Bishop Special Music - Mrs. Reva Cable
Christian Growth - Rev. Bill Linnins
 American Bible Society Baptist Student Union
 Christian Action League Christian Literature
 Christian Education Radio and Television
Reports from Associational Organizations
 Sunday School - Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
 Church Training -
 Brotherhood - Mr. Jack Jolley
 WMU - Mrs. T.W. Searcy
 Music - Mrs. Charlene Pate
 VBS - Mrs. Reva Cable
Executive Committee Report - Mrs. William Painter
Finance Report - Mrs. Jack Jolley
Committee on Committees Report -
Nominating Committee - Mr. Grover Whitmire
Historian - Mrs. Vivian Arledge
Hymn - Mr. Larry Bishop
Place and Preacher Report - Mr. Ted Owens
Ordinations - Rev. T.W. Searcy
Associational Missions - Rev. T.W. Searcy
Adoption of Reports
Recognition of Host Pastor - Moderator
- 6:15 Break - for evening meal
- 7:00 Call to Worship - Mr. Larry Bishop
Special Music - Coopers Gap Choir - Mr. R.J. Whitesides
Missions- Christian Stewardship - Mrs. T.W. Searcy
 Cooperative Program State, Home, Foreign Missions
Presentation of Budget - Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
Business - (additional & unfinished) - Mr. Leroy McGraw
Adoption of Reports and Program for Publication - Rev. Roy Cable
Memorials - Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw
Resolutions - Mrs. Larry Stott Special Music - Mrs. Larry Stott
Message of Challenge - Rev. Roy Cable
Doxology
Benediction : Adjourn until October 26, 1978 - Beulah Baptist Church

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT 1977

Our work in the association did not grow as we would have liked for it to have done. Some of our churches still do not have a mission program for any age group in their church. Where will the next missionaries come from, if not from our churches? BOLD MISSION??? This is the question you must answer.

This is the beginning of our challenge to 'Bold Mission Thrust.' Will we really reach new heights with Bold Mission, or will we re-hash the same "OLD" mission? We have plans for preaching the Gospel to every person in our Jerusalem, in our Judea, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. We have plans for 5,000 missionaries in 125 countries, and 5,000 at home!

Woman's Missionary Union has a vital part in the Bold Mission Venture. We are the leaders, the committed, who can enlist the missionaries, pray for them, teach everyone to support missions, and call out the funds necessary.

The beginning point of our best efforts will be the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the Lottie Moon Offering. The goal is \$34,000,000. Fire the spirits of the people in your church. Begin NEW WMU work in YOUR church...that your people will learn of mission needs.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. T.W. Searcy
WMU Director

OFFICERS for 1977-78: Mrs. Leo Campbell -- Asst. WMU Director
Mrs. Eunice Jolley -- Baptist Women's Director
Mrs. James Fisher -- Acteen Director
Mrs. John Womack -- Mission Friend's Director

DATES TO REMEMBER: Nov 1 ...Fall WMU Session, Columbus, 7:00 P.M.
Nov 7 ...World Day of Prayer, Green Creek, 10:00 A.M.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

1977 - 1978

OFFICERS

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| MODERATOR | Mr. Leroy McCraw |
| VICE-MODERATOR | Rev. T.W. Searcy |
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| TREASURER | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| HISTORIAN | Mrs. Bona Arledge |
| PARLIAMENTARIAN | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS | Rev. Roy D. Cable |

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

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| SUNDAY SCHOOL | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| CHURCH TRAINING | |
| VBS | Mrs. Roy Cable |
| WMU | Mrs. T.W. Searcy |
| BROTHERHOOD | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| MUSIC | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| CHAIRMAN OF EVANGELISM | Rev. Ron Gilbert |

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| ANNUITY BOARD | Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES AND YOUTH SHELTER | Mr. James F. Cochran |
| BAPTIST FOUNDATION | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING | Rev. Bruce Johnson |
| BAPTIST HOSPITAL | Rev. William Painter |
| BAPTIST STUDENT UNION | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE | Mr. John Lynch |
| CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | Rev. Alvin Jackson |
| CHRISTIAN LITERATURE | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS | Mrs. T.W. Searcy |
| RADIO AND T.V. | Mr. Robert Durham |
| NORTH CAROLINA STATE GENERAL BOARD | Rev. T.W. Searcy |

Respectfully Submitted,

Grover Whitmire, Chairman
Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.
Rev. Ron Gilbert

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

1977 - 1978

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| AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS | Rev. Roy D. Cable --Chm. Mrs. Dean Grigg |
| BUDGET AND FINANCE | Mrs. Leo Campbell Rev. Boyce Bradshaw - Chm. Mr. Leroy McCraw Rev. & Mrs. T.W. Searcy Mrs. Charlene Pate Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES | Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. Chm. John Gibbs Rev. George Lynch |
| EVANGELISM | Rev. Ron Gilbert - Chm. Rev. Bill Linnins Rev. Bruce Johnson |
| MISSIONS COMMITTEE | Rev. T.W. Searcy - Chm. Mr. Leroy McCraw Mrs. Charlene Pate Rev. Don Harris Rev. Boyce Bradshaw Mrs. T.W. Searcy Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| NOMINATING COMMITTEE | Mr. Grover Whitmire - Chm Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| ORDINATIONS | Rev. T.W. Searcy - Chm. Rev. Ron Gilbert Rev. Alvin Jackson |
| YOUTH SHELTER | Mr. James F. Cochran |
| PROGRAM AND CALENDAR | General Officers and Heads of Depts. |
| PLACE AND PREACHER | Mr. Ted Owens - Chm. Mr. Lonnie Hall Mr. Stewart Bradshaw |
| RESOLUTIONS | Mrs. Larry Stott- Chm. Mrs. Ladd Edwards Mrs. Madge Russell |
| MEMORIALS | Mrs. Doris Bradshaw - Chm. Mrs. T.W. Searcy Mrs. Charlene Pate |
| COMMITTEE OF TWENTY | Selected by the Churches |
| LIBRARY | Mrs. Roy D. Cable |
| TRUSTEES | Mr. Jack Jolley Mr. Ted Owens Mr. Earl Taylor |

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw - Chm
Rev. Ron Gilbert
Rev. Don Harris

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

NOVEMBER - State Convention Month

- 1 Fall WMU Session, Columbus Baptist Church, 7:00 P.M. (Tuesday)
- 1 Pastor's Bible Conference, Gardner-Webb College, 3:00 - 9:00 P.M. (Tuesday)
- 3 Associational Council, Directors and Officers, Assoc. Office, 7:00 P.M. (Thursday)
- 6 R.A. Sunday
- 6-12 Royal Ambassador Week
- 7 Women's Day of Prayer, Green River Baptist Church, 10:00 - Lunch (Monday)
- 7 Pastor's Conference, Assoc. Office (Monday - 7:30 P.M.)
- 13 Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day (Sunday)
- 14-16 Baptist State Convention, Charlotte, N.C. (Mon.-Wed.)
- 20 Children's Home Day (Sunday)
- 21 "M" Night, Assoc. Training Union Rally, Faith Baptist Church, 7:30 P.M. (Monday)
- 22 Foreign Mission Study, Hickory Grove Baptist Church, 7:00 P.M. (Tuesday)
- 24 Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER - Foreign Missions Month

- 4 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering emphasis (Sunday)
- 4-10 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
- 12 Pastor's and Wives Christmas Fellowship, Pacolet Fish Camp, Landrum, S.C. 6:00 P.M. (Monday - family affair)
- 19-21 Choirs at Christmas, Columbus Baptist Church, 7-9 P.M. (Mon - Tues. - Wed.)
- 25 Student Day at Christmas
- 25 Christmas Day (Sunday)

JANUARY - Bible Study Month

- 1 New Year's Day (Sunday)
- 1-7 Bible Study Week (Exodus)
- 2 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 8 Soul-Winning Commitment Day (Sunday)
- 22 Baptist Men's Day (Sunday)

FEBRUARY - WMU Month

- * 5 Executive Committee Meeting, Midway Baptist Church, 2:30 (Sunday) Baptist World Alliance Sunday
- 6-8 Evangelism Conference, Greensboro, N.C. (Mon. - Wed.)
- 13 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 12-18 WMU Focus Week
- 19 Baptist Homes for the Aging
- Baptist Seminaries, Colleges, & Schools Day
- 24-26 Baptist Men's Retreat, Caraway at Asheboro (Fri.-Sat.)
- 28 Home Mission Study, (Tuesday)

MARCH - Home Missions Month

- 5-12 Week of Prayer for Home Missions
- 6-7 Rural Church Evangelism, Caraway at Asheboro (Mon.-Tue.)
- 13 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 16-17 VBS Clinic, Ridgecrest (Thursday - Friday)
- 21-23 Pastor's Conference, Gardner-Webb College (Tues.-Thurs.)
- 26 Easter Sunday
- 28 Prayer Retreat, Pacolet Hills Baptist Church, 7:00 P.M. (Tuesday)

APRIL - VBS Preparation Month

- 3 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 8 Acteen's Meeting (Saturday)
- 14 Mission Friend's Leaders, Columbus Baptist Church, 7:00 (Friday)
- 15 Associational VBS Clinic - Part 1, Faith Baptist Church, 1:30 - 4:30 P.M. (Saturday)
- 16 Cooperative Program Day (Sunday)
- 17 Associational VBS Clinic - Part 2, Faith Baptist Church, (7:30 - 9:00 P.M. - Monday)
- 25 Spring WMU Session, Morgan Chapel Baptist Church, 7:00 (Tuesday)

MAY - Preparation for Summer Month

- 2 G.A. Meeting, Columbus Baptist Church, 7:00 P.M. (Tues.)
- * 7 Executive Committee Meeting, Midway Baptist Church, 2:30 (Sunday)
- 7-14 Christian Home Week
- 8 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 8 Baptist Women's Fellowship, Sandy Springs Baptist Church, 6:00 P.M. (Monday)
- 14 Mother's Day (Sunday)
- 14-21 Week of Prayer for Associational Missions

JUNE - VBS Month

- 5 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 12-12 WMU Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Ga. (Sunday - Monday)
- 12-15 Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga. (Mon. - Thur.)
- 18 Father's Day (Sunday)

JULY - Christian Citizenship Month

- 4 Independence Day (Tuesday)
- 3-7 Week of Study and Fellowship, Mars Hill College, (Town & Country)
- 10 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 24 Associational S.C. Briefing, Ridgecrest, N.C. (Monday)

AUGUST - Youth Month

- 5-11 WMU Conference, Ridgecrest, N.C. (Saturday-Friday)
- * 6 Executive Meeting, Midway Baptist Church, 2:30 (Sun.)
- 7 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 18 State Youth Evangelism, Greensboro, N.C. (Friday)
- 25 Associational Officers Workshop (Friday)
- 20-27 Church Music Week
- 27 On to College Day (Sunday)

SEPTEMBER - New Officers Month

- 4 Labor Day (Monday)
- 3-9 Brotherhood Leadership Week
- 11 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 12 Associational S.S. Leadership Conference (Tuesday)
- 24-1 Sunday School Preparation Week
(Oct.)

OCTOBER -Associational Missions Month

- 2 Pastor's Conference (Monday)
- 26 Associational Annual Meeting, Beulah Baptist Church, #9

The MINUTES of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE for 1977

January Meeting

The Executive Committee met at the Columbus Church on January 16, at 2:30 P.M.

The meeting was opened with a hymn, "At The Cross", led by Rev. Bill Pate, with Charlene Pate at the piano. Rev. Roy Cable read parts of the 23rd Psalm for our devotions, followed by prayer by Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.

A Roll Call of churches was next with ten churches represented and and twenty-four members present. The Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Clerk and approved as read. There were no reports given for the Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood, or WMU. Rev. T.W. Searcy read the report of the financial status of the Outlet Store.

Rev. T.W. Searcy, Chairman of the Missions Committee, read a letter of resignation from Rev. Zeb Baker. Motion made with a second that we accept his resignation.

There was discussion from the floor concerning Rev. Baker and what he has meant to our association. Those present voted by uplifted hands to accept Rev. Baker's resignation.

Rev. T.W. Searcy stated that we would have to carry on and do the best we can do towards God's work in our association. There was also some discussion about our missionary's salary.

Rev. Roy Cable, Moderator, gave the following suggestions from Rev. Baker:

First, that each church elect a member to serve on the Committee of Twenty.

Secondly, that we stress the finances of our association in our various churches.

Rev. Cable challenged us to do our part in carrying the load of our association. It was moved and seconded that the Missions Committee plan an appreciation day for Rev. Baker. Motion was voted and approved by uplifted hands.

Meeting was adjourned with a dismissal prayer by Rev. T.W. Searcy.

March 13, 1977

On March 13, 1977, there was a special meeting of the Messengers called. The following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order with remarks by Rev. Roy Cable, Moderator. Devotional remarks and prayer were led by Rev. Bill Linnins.

Roll Call of churches with fourteen churches represented.

Rev. Bill Linnins was appointed Parliamentarian for this meeting in the absence of Rev. Charles Bullard.

Because of the nature of this meeting, the Vice Moderator, Leroy McCraw was in charge.

Rev. T.W. Searcy was called to give a report of the Missions Committee. The report was that we consider Rev. Roy Cable, Pastor of the Coopers Gap Baptist Church, as our associational missionary.

Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. brought counter recommendation: That we set an interim period of six months, ending October 1. He also recommended not extending a call until that time. The basis for this recommendation is financial and not personalities. It would mean an additional \$4000 in our budget. Motion seconded by Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr.

Rev. Bill Linnins spoke in opposition to the recommendation.

Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. spoke in behalf of the recommendation.

MINUTES cont....

This was followed by questions and comments from the floor by various pastors and laymen.

The vote on the counter recommendation failed due to lack of support. The vote on the first motion for Rev. Cable to be called as our associational missionary passed by uplifted hands.

Vote on budget made and seconded. Motion carried to accept budget. After singing of a hymn, meeting was adjourned.

April 17, 1977

The Executive Committee met at the Columbus Baptist Church on April 17, 1977.

The meeting was opened with a congregational song, "At The Cross", led by Mrs. T.W. Searcy, with Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. at the piano.

The devotions were conducted by the Rev. Zeb Baker, retiring Polk Associational Missionary. Mr. Baker used Psalm 23 as a basis for his remarks, followed by prayer.

Leroy McCraw, Vice Moderator, was in charge of the meeting. The minutes were read by the clerk.

The following reports were given:

The Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He announced the Learning/Training Workshop to be held at the First Baptist Church in Morganton on Thursday the 21st.

The WMU Report was given by Mrs. T.W. Searcy who announced the following meetings: April 26 - GA Mother & Daughter Banquet; May 10 Baptist Women's Fellowship at 6:30.

Training Union Report - none given.

Brotherhood Report - none given.

The Missions Report was given by Rev. T.W. Searcy. The Committee made three recommendations:

1. That we pay \$100 for salary and \$100 expense to Rev. Roy Cable.
2. Repairs to the Missionary's home.
3. The Missions Committee would like to go to the state office and ask for additional funds.

Motion made concerning salary with a second. Discussion concerning compensation during interim. Voted by uplifted hands.

Motion made concerning spending \$2000 on repairs to the Missions home. Seconded. Rev. Roy Cable stated that Jerry Lawter could do the work about the first of June. His estimate was also \$2000. We voted to go ahead with this by uplifted hands.

Motion made concerning asking state for additional funds. Seconded. Rev. Cable stated that he had already talked to Dr. Ford and Rev. Luther Osment concerning this matter. Voted to do this by uplifted hands.

Rev. Baker reported that our minutes have been at the publisher long enough, and maybe, we should ask for a reduction in price because it has been over the time they promised us.

Rev. Bill Linnins asked if we had the \$2000 for the repairs. Rev. Cable said we should have it by the time the work is completed.

Rev. Roy Cable commented concerning VBS Clinic at the Columbus Church, and also stated that those who would like to go to the meeting in Morganton to meet at the Mill Spring Church at 7:30 A.M. He also asked to be invited to sit in on a deacon's meeting from each church. He also announced that Coy Privette, President of the N.C. Baptist Convention, will be at the Mill Spring Church May 1 at 3:00 P.M.

MINUTES cont...

Rev. Baker introduced a visitor, Rev. Marshall.
There was a motion that the minutes be approved as read. Seconded.
Motion to approve the financial report. Seconded.
Roll Call of churches revealed that sixteen churches were represented.
Motion to adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw.

August 7, 1977

The Executive Committee met at the Columbus Church August 7, 1977 at 2:30 P.M. with Mr. Leroy McCraw as Moderator.
There were twelve churches represented.
The meeting began with singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Mrs. T.W. Searcy, with Rev. Bill Pate, Jr. at the piano.
Rev. T.W. Searcy led in prayer. Devotional thoughts by Rev. Roy Cable based on Eph. 5 -- "Walk as men who see---- as Paul is telling in the Scripture. Rev. Cable stated that only 16% of population of Polk County were in church this morning. We need to evangelize our area.

1. Financial Report was presented and approved.
2. Missions Committee Report given by Rev. T.W. Searcy. He requested prayer for the Missions Committee.
3. Church Training Report given by Rev. T.W. Searcy. Some churches still don't have church training. We were urged to begin one.
4. Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Report was given. A couple is needed for volunteer services. Pastors urged to use the shelter as needed.
5. State Missions Offering - Sept. 18. Rev. Cable urged churches to make goal - leaflets and filmstrips available. Churches were asked to set goals of at least \$150.00 ---\$3,000.00 for the assoc. Dr. Van Merrill, a visitor from Gardner-Webb College, dismissed in prayer.

Mrs. William Painter
Associational Clerk

COOPERS GAP BAPTIST CHURCH HISTORY

Although it is said that Coopers Gap Baptist Church was organized in 1834, our record books only go back to January 26, 1839.

Coopers Gap Church was an arm of Green River Baptist Church, later called White Oak, and at present is known as Mill Spring First Baptist Church.

The first pastor was Elder John Lyon. Early deacons were Brother Benjamin Cowart, William Gibbs, and Claton Brown was ordained a deacon and called the Pillar of the church.

The first trustees appointed in 1839 were Claton Brown, William Gibbs, and John Laughter. The church established 12 Articles of Faith and 19 Rules of Decorum.

October 22, 1892, Brother H.K. Corn and J.A. Mills were appointed to see about getting lumber to build a new church house. This building is our present day Sanctuary. Ironical as it may seem, October 29, 1976 was ground breaking day for the last addition to the church which consists of six classrooms, two baths, and was topped off with a beautiful new steeple. This work was completed near the end of June of this year.

Christine Searcy
Church Historian

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT 1977

This has been a busy year for the Missions Committee! We Were challenged to seek a man to be our Superintendent of Missions because of the retirement of Rev. Zeb Baker. We were very sorry to give up Rev. Baker, and gratefully appreciate all he did for our association. We are equally happy to have Rev. Roy Cable as our new Director of Missions.

Another challenge came to us in the matter of more aid from the North Carolina Convention. Your Missions Chairman, along with Rev. Cable, met with Dr. Howard J. Ford, Director of the Division of Mission Ministries, and shared with him our need. I am happy to report that we were able to secure \$200.00 per month in '77-8 for our association.

We are planning and praying for great things in our association in the years ahead of us. But in order for things to happen, our people must become aware that God will work...God can work... that God accomplishes things as His people let Him work through them and their churches.

Respectfully submitted,

T.W. Searcy
Missions Committee Chairman

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL BUDGET FOR 1977-1978

| | | | |
|------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| I. | EDUCATION AND PROMOTION | \$100.00 | |
| | Sunday School | \$100.00 | |
| | Church Training | \$100.00 | |
| | WMU | \$250.00 | |
| | VBS | \$100.00 | |
| | Brotherhood | \$100.00 | |
| | Music | \$150.00 | |
| | Associational Speakers | \$200.00 | |
| | Associational Minutes | * \$150.00 | |
| | | \$ 1,150.00 | \$1,150.00 |
| II. | ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE | | |
| | Associational Home and Office Up-Keep | \$300.00 | |
| | Printing and Supplies | \$250.00 | |
| | Telephone | \$225.00 | |
| | Petty Cash, Postage, Etc. | \$500.00 | |
| | Insurance | \$200.00 | |
| | | \$ 1,475.00 | \$1,475.00 |
| III. | SALARY AND ALLOWANCES | | |
| | Salary | \$6,000.00 | |
| | Utilities | \$900.00 | |
| | Car | \$1,500.00 | |
| | Hospital Insurance | \$900.00 | |
| | Life Insurance | \$1,009.00 | |
| | | \$10,309.00 | \$10,309.00 |
| IV. | OTHER EXPENSES | | |
| | Southern, State, and Evangelistic | | |
| | Conferences | \$500.00 | |
| | House Payments | \$967.00 | |
| | Annunity | \$400.00 | |
| | Christmas Gift | \$125.00 | |
| | | \$ 1,992.00 | \$1,992.00 |
| | GRAND TOTAL BUDGET | \$14,926.00 | |

* If printed in associational office

Respectfully Submitted,

Finance Committee
 Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
 Mrs. Jack Jolley
 Rev. Roy D. Cable
 Rev. & Mrs. T.W. Searcy
 Mr. Leroy McCraw
 Mrs. Charlene Pate

ASSOCIATIONAL INCOME

As was recommended at the Annual Meeting at the Peniel Church this last year, the Finance Committee of the Polk Baptist Association Recommends that each church consider giving at least 5% of the total offering dollar to ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Percentage giving, each month, will allow our association to operate smoothly and effectively in an On-going ministry to the churches of Polk County. As our offerings are up, or down, so will our giving rise or fall as we give a percentage instead of a fixed amount. For some churches, a fixed amount might be a burden, while for others, any fixed amount would be nominal. On a percentage basis, all churches are more equal in their giving to Associational Missions.

5% of 20 churches gives the associational budget the average income of the churches, whether large or small. Some of our churches have incomes over \$40,00 while some of our churches have less than \$10,000 incomes. With the income of the average church, the association will be able to serve all the churches well, without any special offerings or payments.

Consider this proposal in your budget plans at your church this year.
Let us go forward with the work at hand!

Respectfully requested, your Associational Finance Committee:

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer
Rev. Roy D. Cable, Supt. of Missions
Rev. & Mrs. T.W. Searcy
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Moderator
Mrs. Charlene Pate

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1976 - 1977 BUDGETED ITEMS

BALANCE BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1976 1,218.05

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| RECEIPTS: CHURCHES, | | |
| REGULAR FUND | 9,236.71 | |
| HOUSE REPAIR | 1,501.35 | |
| MINUTES | 55.00 | |
| YOUTH SHELTER | 145.00 | |
| TOTAL FROM CHURCHES | \$10,938.06 | 10,938.06 |
| STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION | 1,292.00 | |
| Z. B. BAKER (tithe) | 300.00 | |
| Z. B. BAKER (house) | 590.00 | |
| A FRIEND | 500.00 | |
| SUPPLIES SOLD | 79.44 | |
| HARRY GIBSON | 100.00 | |
| N. C. TAX REFUND | 9.67 | |
| PHONE | 66.31 | |
| | 2,937.42 | 2,937.42 |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | 13,875.48 | |
| TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR | | \$15,093.53 |
| LESS EXPENSES | | 14,447.59 |
| ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 | | \$645.94 |

EXPENSES ITEMIZED:

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|---|-------------|
| SALARIES (BRO. BAKER & BRO. CABLE) | \$5,295.00 |
| REV. Z. D. BAKER; HOUSE PAYMENTS | 1,075.00 |
| HOUSE DONATION | 590.00 |
| CHRISTMAS GIFT | 100.00 |
| REV. ROY D. CABLE (3 MONTHS INTERIM EXPENSES) | 300.00 |
| TELEPHONE | 399.17 |
| LIGHTS, HEAT, ect. | 90.00 |
| ANNUITY (BRO. BAKER) | 120.00 |
| MAILING AND PETTY CASH | 115.00 |
| SUPPLIES AND MIMEOGRAPH OVER-HAUL | 690.84 |
| CHECKS | 11.40 |
| INSURANCE | 122.00 |
| N. C. N. B. | 1,047.28 |
| YOUTH SHELTER | 750.00 |
| ANNUAL MINUTES | 491.49 |
| "M" NIGHT SPEAKER | 15.00 |
| CONFERENCE EXPENSES (W.M.U., V.B.S., EVAN. CHIR.) | 151.79 |
| PENIEL BAPTIST CHURCH (ASSO. MEAL) | 75.00 |
| JERRY LAWTER CONT. CO. (REPAIR ON HOUSE) | 2,900.00 |
| PAINT | 76.87 |
| WATER LINE REPAIR | 31.75 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES FOR 1976-77 | \$14,447.59 |

RECEIPTS FOR 1976 - 1977 YEAR FROM THE CHURCHES

| CHURCH | REGULAR | CAMP/LAND | HOUSE REPAIR | MINUTES | CAMP/DEV | YOUTH SHELTER |
|---------------|------------|-----------|--------------|---------|----------|---------------|
| BEULAH | 895.00 | 500.00 | | 30.00 | | |
| BIG LEVEL | 475.00 | | 80.03 | 10.00 | 200.00 | |
| BYARS | 235.00 | | | | | |
| COLUMBUS | 1,079.95 | 300.05 | 46.17 | | | |
| COOPERS GAP | 864.11 | | 64.90 | | | |
| FAITH | 300.00 | 360.00 | 149.50 | | | |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | 500.00 | 311.00 | 125.00 | | | |
| HICKORY GROVE | 1,589.91 | 525.60 | 360.75 | | | |
| MIDWAY | 260.00 | | | | | |
| MILL SPRING | 200.00 | 150.85 | 74.00 | | | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | 275.00 | | | | | |
| PACOLET | 417.46 | | | | | |
| PACOLET HILLS | 179.00 | 226.80 | 12.00 | | | |
| PEA RIDGE | 300.00 | 349.20 | | | | |
| PENIEL | 240.00 | | | | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | 571.00 | 598.00 | 189.00 | | | 100.00 |
| SILVER CREEK | 530.00 | | 265.00 | | | |
| TRYON SECOND | 255.00 | 21.00 | 135.00 | | | 45.00 |
| WARRIOR MTN. | 70.28 | 50.00 | | 15.00 | | |
| TOTALS | \$9,236.71 | 3,392.50 | 1,501.35 | 55.00 | 200.00 | 145.00 |

TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM THE CHURCHES \$14,530.56

OTHER RECEIPTS:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION | 1,292.00 |
| RENT ON LAND | 120.00 |
| BRO. Z.D. BAKER (TITHE/HOUSE/ect.) | 950.00 |
| FRIEND - DONATION ON HOUSE | 500.00 |
| SUPPLIES SOLD | 79.44 |
| HARRY H. GIBSON (LAND DEVE./ect.) | 700.00 |
| N. C. TAX REFUND | 9.67 |
| PHONE CO. | 66.31 |
| TOTALS | \$3,717.42 |

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR YEAR 1976-1977 \$18,247.98

DEBTS OWED:

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|---------------|-------------|
| CAMP LAND | \$18,500.00 |
| HOUSE REPAIRS | 1,434.91 |
| PAINT | 232.15 |
| HOUSE | 8,812.34 |

CAMP LAND

1976-1977

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| BEGINNING BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1976 | | \$ 145.95 |
| RECEIPTS: | | |
| Churches | \$3,392.50 | |
| Harry Gibson | \$ 500.00 | |
| Rent on Land | \$ 120.00 | |
| | <u>\$4,012.50</u> | \$4,012.50 |
| TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR - | | <u>\$4,158.45</u> |
| * LESS EXPENSES | | - \$4,061.80 |
| ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 | | <u>\$ 96.65</u> ** |
| *EXPENSES - Land | | |
| Interest | \$1,527.57 | |
| Taxes | \$ 34.23 | |
| Loan Pmt. | \$2,500.00 | |
| | <u>\$4,061.80</u> | |

CAMP DEVELOPMENT

1976-1977

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| BEGINNING BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 1976 | | \$ 200.51 |
| RECEIPTS: | | |
| Churches | \$ 200.00 | |
| Harry Gibson | \$ 300.00 | |
| Zeb Baker | \$ 60.00 | |
| | <u>\$ 560.00</u> | \$ 560.00 |
| TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR - | | <u>\$ 760.51</u> |
| *LESS EXPENSES | | - \$ 229.40 |
| ENDING BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 | | <u>\$ 531.11</u> ** |
| *EXPENSES- Camp Development | | |
| REA | \$ 161.40 | |
| Pump | \$ 68.00 | |
| | <u>\$ 229.40</u> | |

POLK BAPTIST MISSION OUTLET STORE

THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

October 1, 1976 - September 30, 1977

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| ON HAND October 1, 1976 | \$ 352.26 |
| RECEIVED | \$2,462.67 |
| TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR | <hr/> \$2,814.93 |

EXPENDITURES:

| | | |
|-----------|------------------|--------------|
| Sales Tax | \$172.03 | |
| Water | \$121.44 | |
| Rent | \$300.00 | |
| Supplies | \$ 29.76 | |
| Payroll | \$620.00 | |
| Lights | \$ 80.42 | |
| Heat | \$339.86 | |
| | <hr/> \$1,663.51 | - \$1,663.51 |

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|-------------------------|------------|
| ON HAND OCTOBER 1, 1977 | \$1,151.42 |
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BILLS TO BE PAID:

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| Rent | \$ 900.00 |
| Sales Tax | \$ 40.27 |

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| BALANCE AFTER PAYING BILLS | <hr/> \$ 211.15 |
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Respectively submitted,
Mr. George Denton - Treasuer
Mrs. Mayme Stott - Store Manager

The Polk Baptist Mission Outlet Store, located opposite Columbus Baptist Church on the corner of 108 and Peniel Road, is provided for all Polk County residents. The things available for sale are provided by "donations." These are sold at a minimal price and any procedes have been designated for projects of the association. Mr. George Denton is serving as the accountant and treasuer. The store is operated by Mrs. Mayme Stott and any volunteer helpers. The store is open for patronage and the receiving of donations on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 12:00 - 5:00 P.M.

FOURTH QUARTER REPORT 1977

BALANCE BEGINNING JULY 1, 1977

\$ 240.14

** RECEIPTS:

Churches \$2,924.50
House Repair \$1,152.28
(designated)
\$4,076.78

\$4,076.78

Baptist State
Convention \$ 396.00
Supplies Sold\$ 11.69
Phone \$ 66.31
(long distance
calls -DOM)
\$ 474.00

\$ 474.00

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR -

\$4,790.92

*LESS EXPENSES

- \$4,144.98

BALANCE ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1977

\$ 645.94 **

*EXPENSES:

Roy Cable \$2,160.00
Telephone \$ 191.88
Addressograph supplies \$ 28.08
Arledge Printers \$ 33.17
Gray & Creech \$ 108.86
Petty Cash \$ 25.00
WMU Conference \$ 34.00
Jerry Lawter -House Re pairs
\$ 900.00
Water line trench -
Pipe and digging \$ 31.75
Ron Gilbert - Evangelism
Conference \$ 60.00
Thermal Belt Youth
Shelter \$ 250.00
NCNB \$ 322.24
\$4,144.98

**RECEIPTS:

| <u>CHURCHES</u> | <u>REGULAR</u> | <u>CAMP LAND</u> | <u>HOUSE REPAIRS</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| BEULAH | \$ 251.00 | | |
| BIG LEVEL | | | \$ 80.03 |
| BYARS | \$ 100.00 | | |
| COLUMBUS | \$ 274.98 | \$ 100.02 | |
| COOPERS GAP | \$ 349.11 | | |
| FAITH | \$ 300.00 | \$ 360.00 | \$ 149.50 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | | | \$ 100.00 |

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| <u>CHURCHES</u> | <u>REGULAR</u> | <u>CAMP LAND</u> | <u>HOUSE REPAIRS</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| HICKORY GROVE | \$ 720.18 | \$ 175.20 | \$ 360.75 |
| MIDWAY | \$ 65.00 | | |
| MILL SPRING | \$ 200.00 | \$ 50.00 | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | \$ 50.00 | | |
| PACOLET | \$ 148.23 | | |
| PACOLET HILLS | | \$ 226.80 | \$ 12.00 |
| PEA RIDGE | \$ 75.00 | \$ 87.30 | |
| PENIEL | \$ 60.00 | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | \$ 106.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 150.00 |
| SILVER CREEK | \$ 150.00 | | \$ 200.00 |
| TRYON SECOND | \$ 75.00 | | \$ 100.00 |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | | | |
| TOTALS: | <u>\$2,924.50</u> | <u>\$1,099.32</u> | <u>\$1,152.28 = \$5,176.10</u> |
| RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES - | | | \$5,176.10 |
| OTHER RECEIPTS | | | \$ 474.00 |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS - | | | <u>\$5,650.10</u> |

CAMP LAND

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| BALANCE BEGINNING JULY 1, 1977 | \$ 343.01 |
| RECEIPTS from churches | \$1,099.32 |
| TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR -- | <u>\$1,442.33</u> |
| LESS EXPENSES | - \$1,345.68 |
| BALANCE ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 | <u>\$ 96.65</u> ** |
| EXPENSES: | |
| Interest | \$ 445.68 |
| Loan Pmt. | \$ 900.00 |
| | <u>\$1,345.68</u> |

CAMP DEVELOPMENT

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| BALANCE BEGINNING JULY 1, 1977 | \$ 575.82 |
| RECEIPTS | <u>---</u> |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | \$ 575.82 |
| LESS EXPENSES | - \$ 44.71 |
| BALANCE ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 | <u>\$ 531.11</u> ** |
| EXPENSES: | |
| REA | \$ 44.71 |

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT for 1977

I had hoped to report this year that every church in our association would be engaged in Church Training. Some of our churches still do not have one. Church Training is designed to enlist more people for the pilgrimage toward Christian maturity. It is the part of our church program to help people train, so that they might more effectively be involved in their own Christian growth.

Churches have an opportunity to study a variety of materials. Church Training is designed to bring the people of God together...to train, study, worship, sing, and enjoy one another's presence. Strengthened by these experiences, they can dare to move into the many "worlds" in which they work, study, play, and travel -- effectively sharing Christ's love throughout the week.

Respectfully submitted,

T.W. Searcy
Church Training Director

EVANGELISM REPORT

1977

In 1975, our total Baptism in the Polk Association was 123, while in 1976, it was down to 108, and now in 1977, it is 88 per year from 20 churches.

Paul gives Timothy in II Timothy 4:5 an outline of the things we need to keep before us, *"Watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."*

Jesus, our Savior, said, *"Go ye, therefore, and teach -"* Matthew 28: 19-20. Jesus also said at His last appearance on the earth, *"But ye shall -"* Acts 1: 8-9. The teaching of the New Testament is clear. Our theme for 1977-1979 is also clear, **"LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT!"**

The emphasis from the New Testament and our Bold Thrust efforts are to *"Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."* Hebrews 12:1

OUR CHURCHES ARE READY for real growth - spiritually and numerically.

"LET US WORK FOR THE DAY COMES WHEN NO MAN SHALL WORK!"

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS REPORT

Your Baptist Audio-Visual Aids Department in the Southern Baptist Convention, and association, stand ready to serve you with many films, filmstrips, and suggestions for your use. You notice these services in the different magazines and publications.

The one most familiar to pastors is the film service of our Baptist State Convention. A catalogue with a listing of free films and filmstrips is made available each year to pastors.

Another source for films is the Religious Film Services, 2304 Anderson Dr., Raleigh, N.C. 27603 (Tel. 919-732-7872). Rentals on films are about \$10.00 to \$50.00.

A third source for films is probably unknown to most of you...our own Polk County Library. Polk County Library can secure for you through the N.C. Public Library Film Service (for a small handling fee) films on almost any subject. The Polk County Librarian will be glad to assist you in securing films listed in the catalogue.

Many churches have their own projectors, screens, etc. Most are willing to loan to other churches. Also the local schools will cooperate in letting us borrow equipment such as projectors.

Your associational office on Blanton Street has a number of filmstrips, maps, etc. just waiting to be used. Please check with your Director of Missions and get some suggestions on their usage. Two new items this year are a extra large world map showing our missions work in detail and a set of small flags (one for each country of the world). These new items would be excellent for our Foreign Missions emphasis coming up. Call 394-3372 for information.

THERMAL BELT YOUTH SHELTER REPORT

The idea of a ministry to youth in crisis was first conceived in the spring of 1973. At the Annual Associational Meeting, the Polk Association appointed three persons to work with persons from the Green River and Sandy Run Associations to plan and make this ministry a reality.

One door after another began to open and the ministry became a reality. A house was purchased in Forest City. The Baptist Children's Homes of N.C. agreed to provide staff and services. Churches responded with gifts. Individuals volunteered time, money and effort. The Shelter opened its doors on the spring of 1975.

Now that the Shelter is a reality, Licensed by the N.C. Dept. of Social Services, and Incorporated under the laws of N.C. as a non-profit institution, it is still necessary that we, as committed servants of God's Work, still continue to support this institution with our 'special gifts' and prayers. Each church is asked to set aside a 'special offering day' for the Shelter and mail the offering directly to them. We, as an association, have committed ourselves to a "fair share" of at least \$600.00 per year. For your church this would be around 25 cents per resident member.

If you do not have a Thermal Belt Youth Shelter 'Special Offering Day' already on your church calendar, please do so as soon as possible, and give it proper promotion.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

1977

Baptist of North Carolina provide a ministry of love and care to children, young people and their families. The program is more than rooms and meals, and activities and recreation. It's more than buildings and grounds. The care of children is missions...reaching out with a helping hand; it is evangelism...sharing the joy of life in Christ; it is love and affection...the giving of hugs and kisses and friendship; it is education...teaching an appreciation for the finer things in life; it is restoration...enabling families to function again.

CAMPUSES at Mills Home, Thomasville; Kennedy Home, Kinston; Odum Home, Pembroke; and Broyhill Home, Waynesville-Clyde continue to serve as centers of service and operation in their respective areas of the state.

FOSTER HOME CARE, a statewide program of the Homes, is vital to numbers of children needing special help. Additional foster homes are needed throughout the state. We welcome opportunities to talk with prospective foster parents about this area of service.

THE EMERGENCY SHELTER (Thermal Belt Youth Shelter) at Forest City is meeting a critical need in Western North Carolina. It provides a ready resource for children who need help immediately. During a period of one to ninety days, responsible planning is made for the child's future.

THE MATERNITY HOME in Asheville, opened in 1970, has proved to be a much needed and well received service. More than three hundred girls have been served throughout North Carolina and beyond. It is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern.

SOCIAL WORK AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS enable us to work with families in providing services to children, family rehabilitation, family education and preventive services. These Centers are located at Waynesville, Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Burlington, Raleigh, Kinston, Fayetteville, and Pembroke.

THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER on the Mills Home Campus at Thomasville provides a demonstration program for churches who are interested in establishing services for preschool age children in nursery school education, day care and kindergarten. We welcome opportunities to assist churches any place in the state who want to develop this type program.

Members of our staff are anxious to have you and members of your churches visit Broyhill Home. To see, observe and to feel in person what it is like to live in a children's home is to appreciate our child care ministry.

Thank you for your dependable support in numerous ways. It shall be our purpose to keep this a dynamic ministry and to meet the needs of those whom we serve.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

1977

The past year in your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging has been one of the fullest and most exciting in the twenty-six years that the Homes have been ministering!

Of keenest interest was the ground-breaking service for the new Western North Carolina Baptist Homes, on the Pearson Estate on Richmond Hill, in Northwest Asheville, last October, when more than a thousand people from our Western North Carolina Baptist Churches, as well as many others throughout the State, were present. It was a thrilling moment indeed when Trustees, Staff, and Residents of the Homes, Pastors, and other Church Leaders, latched on to ropes, attached to a huge bulldozer, pulled together and helped to move the first dirt at the site, heralding the beginning of the construction of your sixth Baptist Home for the Aging.

Construction is now underway for this lovely Western North Carolina Baptist Home, which will initially accomodate 50 people.

Another exciting venture is the construction of four duplex apartments at the site of the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem. These apartments will care for 16 additional persons and will be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1977. 66 more people will be served in our Baptist Homes family in the next two years.

Gifts from our Baptist people have been very encouraging during the past year through the Cooperative Program and through the third Sunday of February Offering. These sources supply 35% of the total budget of the Homes and are used continually to supplement the care of the majority of the residents who cannot pay their full cost of care. They are love gifts indeed and are a life-line for those whose needs could not be met without them.

The needs of older persons in our society today are great and are overwhelming. Plans are in the making for an accelerated ministry in our North Carolina Baptist Homes that will touch an ever increasing number of persons.

These plans call for a greater concern and commitment on our part than ever before. The future of our North Carolina Baptist Homes is as bright as the promises of God, and , in that future, the Lord, and these older people in our midst, will be looking to you to share in meeting the needs as we reach out and serve more of these dear ones who desperately need help.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Poole
Executive Director

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION

1977

Baptists of North Carolina are deeply involved in the ministry of Christian Higher Education through the support of six colleges and one university: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate, and Wake Forest University. During the 1976-77 academic year, 13,733 persons were enrolled in the 7 schools. The number graduating in May, 1977 was 2,493.

One strong emphasis of Baptist colleges is the preparation of pastors, missionaries and other church vocation volunteers. In the fall of 1976, there were 846 persons preparing for church related vocations at North Carolina Baptist colleges.

Most of the students attending a North Carolina Baptist College receive some form of financial assistance. Each of the colleges pledges to assist needy students financially in order to make available the educational experience at a Christian college. An offering is received on Father's Day each year to provide for aid for North Carolina Baptist young people. Students who need to apply for financial aid should make application to college early in the junior year of high school. Grants, loans, and work scholarships are available for those who need them.

The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services of faculty, students and other campus resources to make the Bold Mission emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

North Carolina Baptist colleges continue to be grateful for generous financial support through the Cooperative Program.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

1977

The diversity with unity that reflects the Baptist story in America is shown through-out our many publications. We are more and more aware of the thirst for knowledge, as our people demand and receive the best helps in teaching, preaching, administration, programing, missions, and devotional literature in the owrld.

Reporting and promotional materials have always been an essential part of Baptist Life because we own and operate our worldwide ministry through the local church. This reporting is done in detail and objectively by the greatest mission and witness group of collective witness in the world.

Our state paper, the Biblical Recorder, offers reports and promotions on virtually every work of Baptist in North Carolina and the world.

Seven of our churches in the Polk Association have the Biblical Recorder in their budget for every family. At our Annual Meeting, you are receiving a very important copy of the Recorder, and you should take this offer back to your church for consideration.

"THOSE WHO DON'T READ ARE NO BETTER INFORMED THAN THOSE WHO CAN NOT READ." Copied

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

1977

What is perhaps the greatest challenge faced in all the history of Southern Baptist is before our people for the remaining 23 years of the 20th century. It has been called "BOLD MISSIONS THRUST" and the success of the venture is yet to be determined. There is no doubt concerning the importance or the motivation for the undertaking, but there is uncertainty as to whether the motivating message will be successfully communicated to some 13 million Southern Baptist, and to our more than 34,000 churches. WITHOUT ADEQUATE COMMUNICATION CHANNELS, THE PROGRAM CANNOT SUCCEED.

The most difficult problems faced in our churches are related to communications. When people are uninformed, poorly informed, or mis-informed, they get into trouble. When they know what is taking place in their local congregation and in the denomination, interest is generated and cooperation results. Openness is therefore important, and the purpose of the BIBLICAL RECORDER is to keep Baptist church members informed concerning involvement in their denomination, and in the Christian world.

In light of developments presently underway in our denomination, it is important that every Baptist church member in N.C. receive the BIBLICAL RECORDER weekly. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted a circulation goal of eight million for state papers by 1980.

If your church is not sending the RECORDER to resident families at the present time, arrangements should be made immediately to do so by incorporating it in your church budget. COSTING LESS THAN HALF THE PRICE OF A POSTAGE STAMP PER ISSUE, it is delivered by U.S. Mail directly to your home address.

The RECORDER doesn't cost; it pays!

Respectfully submitted,

J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

STEWARDSHIP-COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

1977

Will you lead every member of the church where you serve to give a ththe or more of his income into the church treasury and lead the church to give the suggested amount to the Association, plus giving from 10% to 50% of church receipts through the Cooperative Program??

The Southern Baptist Convention theme for this year is "BOLD MISSIONS." Acts 1:8 emphasizes our committment to missions and mission support.

I Corinthians 3:9 challenges Baptist to minister in Christ's name through the church, through the association, and through the Cooperative Program in bold support of missions at home and around the world.

Committment to a bold mission task calls for specific action on our part as individuals and churches. During the past year, the churches of our association gave \$21,114.00 through the Cooperative Program. Last year our churches gave \$11,954.00 for associational missions. Our goal was \$14,000.00. THIS YEAR, YOU ARE ASKED TO GIVE 5% of your church receipts to associational missions.

WE RECOMMEND THESE GOALS:

1. Every church in the association BOLDLY ADVANCING THEIR GIVING through the Cooperative Program for world mission support, and give the suggested 5% to associational missions.
2. That every church conduct a stewardship emphasis this year. This coming year, the stewardship theme is "BOLD BELIEVERS IN GIVING THROUGH A GROWING COMMITMENT."

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

1977

If you, or a member of your family, has recently needed special treatment or surgery, as five of our close friends in Polk County have had, you probably realize the value of our Baptist ministry through the Baptist Hospital.

Pastors, and people alike, say the hospital staff has proven time and time again that it's real purpose in offering a hospital service, is to give praise and honor to Christ and His church.

Throughout our state, we find doctors, nurses, and other health related service people who were trained at our Baptist Hospital. Pastors and staff members are able to study and practice hospital and pastoral care under the best instructors and medical people in the southeast.

WE just can't say enough, as I'm sure you agree, as you have received services from our Baptist Hospital.

Our churches gave \$1,165.00 this past year in our Mother's Day Offering. This is \$58.25 per church. This is the direct result of the hospital's influence.

Let us give more, so that our witness will be stronger.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

1977

Our churches, this year, were very well attended and our staff of Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Rev. Charles Bullard, Rev. Ron Gilbert, Rev. T.W. Searcy, Rev. & Mrs. Roy D. Cable taught every age group.

we would like to have two days of clinics for workers, as has been suggested by our own VBS teachers and workers in Polk County.

PART I...will be on Saturday April 15, 1978 - 1:30 / 4:30
at Faith Baptist Church P.M.

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PART II...will be Monday April 17, 1978 - 7:30 / 9:00 P.M.

It is felt that these sessions will give more time and give each age group opportunity to cover the material more thoroughly. We hope this will meet the needs of all our children and churches! Make your plans now!

VBS Enrollment 1977 - 1,005 19 churches participated.

For a more complete report, I need the VBS Reports in before this Annual Meeting. Some are still not in. We need them.

Respectfully submitted,

Reva B. Cable
Associational VBS Director

ANNUNITY BOARD REPORT

1977

In 1976, the Annunity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention recommended a new retirement program which was approved by all the state Baptist Conventions. The new program called the Southern Baptist Retirement Program will go into effect January 1, 1978.

Detailed information will be presented to churches in the early fall with a ROUTE 10 promotional theme, according to Darold H. Morgan, president of the Board.

The Board paid \$17,138,343 in benefits to 11,925 widows, retired or disabled members in 1976. During its 59 years of service, the Board has paid more than \$158 million in retirement and protection benefits.

A 13th Check, amounting to one month's income, was mailed for the eleventh time to annuitants. The combined amount of this extra benefit came to \$830,525.

Most members benefit from a decision to increase the interest rate for figuring retirement benefits. Annuitants began receiving larger checks as of January 1, 1977.

For almost 45,000 members, the Board held in trust funds totaling \$472,218,669 for retirement benefits for the year ending 1976.

The Annunity Board also administers life, medical and disability insurance programs, which reflected increases in membership.

In North Carolina, as of March 31, 1977, 2787 staff members of 2196 churches and associations are participating in the SBRP. In Polk Association, there are 11 churches with 11 employees now in the Annunity Plan.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

BELUAH - Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Ronnie Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782
BIG LEVEL - Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, N.C. 28160
BYARS - Roy Price, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Henry Owensby, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Albert Bradley, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Bill Wilson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
COLUMBUS - Mr. E.H. Gibbs, Blanton Stree, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mrs. Frances Pace, Box 74, Columbus, N.C. 28722
COOPERS GAP - Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Zeno Lancaster, II, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
FAITH - Mr. James Owens, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Mrs. John Lynch, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
FAITH TEMPLE - Robert Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
GREEN RIVER - James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
Ray Richards, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323
HICKORY GROVE -

MIDWAY - William Mills, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722
John Gibbs, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722
MILL SPRING - Roy Fisher, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
MORGAN CHAPEL - Roy Laughter, Rt. 1, Campobello, S.C. 29322
PACOLET - Mr. Stewart Bradshaw, Lynn, N.C. 28750
PACOLET HILLS - Clifford Stott, Rt. 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356
PEA RIDGE - Preston Bowyer, Rt. 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722
Jack Morris, Rt. 5, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
PENIEL - William C. Pate, Jr., Rt. 1 Box 42, Tryon, N.C. 28782
Albert Durham, Rt. 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356
Homer Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356
SANDY SPRINGS - Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
Mr. & Mrs. J.D. Yelton, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139
SILVER CREEK - Mrs. Lloyd Jackson, Rt. 2 Box 40, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
Mr. Beauford Arledge, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756
TRYON SECOND -
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN - Donald E. Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda, N.C. 28773

ELECTED MESSENGERS TO THE 1977 ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

BEULAH - Clois Jackson, Edith Arledge, Stella Searcy

BIG LEVEL - Florence Gilbert, Eddie Bailey, General Haynes, Alice Skipper

BYARS - Gene Wilson, Roy Price, Henry Owensby, Sandra Green

COLUMBUS - Mrs. Martha Hill, Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Nick Masternick, Mrs. Frances Edwards, Mrs. Preston Splawn. Alternates: E.H. Gibbs, Mrs. Myette Hutcherson, Mrs. Estelle Newman

COOPERS GAP - Mr. Birch Corn, Mrs. Birch Corn, Mr. Glenn Burgess, Mr. Zeno Lancaster II, Mrs. Inez Whitmire, Mrs. Viola Ruff, Mrs. Estee McGuinn

FAITH - Mrs. Hebert Rhodes, Mrs. Ray Walker, Mrs. Ron Gilbert, Mrs. Addie Lee Thompson

FAITH TEMPLE - Doris Blackwell, Rudy Bolling, Pearl Gilbert

GREEN RIVER - Virgie Harris, Buford Harris, Kenneth Justice, Doris Bradshaw, Boyce Bradshaw

HICKORY GROVE - Rev. & Mrs. T.W. Searcy, Mrs. Edna Stott, Mrs. Roena Smothers, Mrs. Blanch Raborn, Mr. Eugene Morgan, Mrs. Cleo Powell

MIDWAY - Susie Dimsdale, Carolyn Mills, Peggy Bradley

MILL SPRING - Woodrow McKee, Mrs. Brodus Fowler, Mrs. Bessie Pack

MORGAN CHAPEL - Renso and Pete Jones, George and Thelma Willard, Bernice Pate, Rosettal Flynn, Juanita Wilson, Anna Campbell

PACOLET - Mrs. Ramona Rhodes, Mr. Steward Bradshaw, Rev. Bill Linnins

PACOLET HILLS - Mrs. Elsie Edwards, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mr. C.H. Lewis

PEA RIDGE - Jack Morris

PENIEL - Roy Carruth, Sue Holbert, Charles Jackson, Ethel Cochran, Homer Pittman, Evelyn Pittman, Carolyn Pittman, Lewis Jackson

SANDY SPRINGS - Pam Bishop, Edna McCraw, Larry Bishop, Eunice Jolly, Mary E. Davidson

SILVER CREEK - Mrs. Mirian Arledge, Mr. James Cochran, Mrs. Louise Cochran, Mr. N.B. Arledge, Mrs. Orpha Arledge

TRYON SECOND - C.P. Burrell, Thomas Metcalf, Juanita Gosnell, Hope Hipp

WARRIOR MTN - Mary C. Gravely, Elma Bright, Delia A. Byrd

IN MEMORIAL

During this last year, some very dear Brothers and Sisters, who have shared their love and lives in years of service to our churches, left this earth to go to be with the Lord and receive their rewards. We list their names with their church, as they appear on the church letters, and thank God for His wonderful gifts of such Brothers and Sisters:

- BEULAH _ Mr. Bill Sheehan, Mr. Hubert Edwards
- BIG LEVEL _ Mrs. Lelah Greene, Mr. W.J. Nichols, Mrs. Essie Mae Workman
- COLUMBUS- Mrs. Dovie Hart, Mr. Ronald Jones
- COOPERS GAP - Mr. R. Stuart Searcy, Mrs. Imo C. Shelton, Mrs. Lillie Taylor
- FAITH - Mr. Clarence V. Elliott, Mr. David Elliott
- GREEN RIVER - Mrs. Ella L. Davis, Miss Carrie Walker, Mrs. Kitty Kesterson, Mr. Charlie Scoggins
- MIDWAY - Mr. Harvey Sims, Mr. Russell Atkins, Mr. Ed Kuykendall
- MILL SPRING - Mr. W.O. Parker, Mr. William Champion
- MORGAN CHAPEL - Mrs. Nettie Henderson, Mrs. Bessie Howard, Mrs. Ophelia Barnette, Mrs. Betsy Champion
- PACOLET - Mr. Ray Blackwell, Mr. Burley Chapman, Mr. Ledford Moss
- PACOLET HILLS - Mr. James E. Johnson
- PENIEL - Mr. Ed. Wagner
- SANDY SPRINGS - Mr. Laurel V. Turner, Jr., Daisey Epley
- SILVER CREEK - Mrs. Gladys Newman, Mr. Charles Walker
- TRYON SECOND - Mrs. Winnie Whitmire

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER REPORT

1977

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the Polk Baptist Associational Annual Meeting for the year 1978 meet as follows:

PLACE: Beulah Baptist Church
(Highway #9 South towards Spartanburg, from
Mill Spring, N.C.)

TIME: October 26, 1978

PREACHER: Rev. Dillard Davidson
Pastor
Beulah Baptist Church

HISTORICAL EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR

- BEULAH - Built new church, dedication of new church, licensed Charles Arledge to ministry.
- BIG LEVEL - Built new choir loft and baptistry, carpeted auditorium, paved parking lot.
- BYARS - Built fellowship hall
- COLUMBUS - Paved parking lot in front of church.
- COOPERS GAP - Addition of six class rooms, two rest rooms, and a steeple.
- FAITH - Paid off church debt, had note burning service.
- FAITH TEMPLE - Bought new flags, painted church, made improvements on church property.
- GREEN RIVER - Purchased land for a new parsonage, sent Biblical Recorder into each home.
- HICKORY GROVE - Burned morgage of new educational building.
- MIDWAY - Called as pastor Bro. Alvin Jackson.
- MILL SPRING - Cushioned pews, paid debt on pastor's home, paved parking lot, changed name of church to Mill Spring First Baptist.
- MORGAN CHAPEL - Added storm doors and windows for parsonage, added screens to fellowship building.
- PEA RIDGE - Called as pastor Bro. Don Harris.
- SILVER CREEK - Note burning of building facilities, purchased organ console with pipes.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I -NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION .

Article II-- PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches: The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V - ORGANIZATION

SECTION I. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nominating committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI - COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of \$1.50 @.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session on the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and to lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs of the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntarily, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.
2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

Article VII

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of

the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

Section XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Comm.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

ARTICLE III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Superintendent of Missions:

PART 1. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the missions committee. The Superintendent shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio:
100 or less- 10 copies, 150 or less- 15 copies, More than 150- 20 copies.

PROCEEDINGS

October 27, 1977

EIGHTH SESSION

1. The EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION of the Polk Baptist Association convened at 1:00 P.M. on October 27, 1977 at the Coopers Gap Baptist Church. Mr. Leroy McCraw, Moderator, presided. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING "Brethern We Have Met To Worship" and "More About Jesus" led by Mr. Larry Bishop, Mrs. Billy Hugh Ruff, pianist. SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER (Acts 1) by Rev. Don Harris, Pastor at Pea Ridge Baptist Church. WELCOME by host Interim Pastor, Rev. Van Merrill.
2. DECLARATION of Eighth Annual Meeting by Mr. Leroy McCraw.
3. ADOPTION OF PROGRAM by Rev. T.W. Searcy. Moved and carried by show of hands.
4. PRESENTATION of BOOK OF REPORTS by Rev. Roy Cable, Director of Missions.
5. INTRODUCTION OF NEW PERSONNEL AND VISITORS present. Visiting from the Baptist Children's Home was Kevin Mosley and Richard Bass. Rev. Don Harris was introduced as the new pastor at Pea Ridge Baptist Church. BUSINESS SESSION opened with SPECIAL MUSIC by Mr. Larry Bishop, Minister of Music at Sandy Springs, "I Fell On My Knees and Cried Holy." Mr. James Cochran brought GREETINGS from the Baptist Children's Home Program and introduced Rev. Richard Bass, Director of Children's Ministries, Homes for Unwed Mothers, Youth Shelter, and Homes for the Aging. ADOPTION of these reports were moved and carried. Also, Calendar of Activities approved.
6. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING "Rescue the Perishing" led by Larry Bishop, after which, he sang "How Great Thou Art."
7. ANNUAL SERMON by Rev. Ron Gilbert, Chairman of Evangelism for Polk Baptist Association. Rev. Gilbert brought a challenging message on what we as individuals and as a church can do to carry on the task of missions: outreach through the power that is available to us, and through prayer; witnessing and planning.
8. BREAK 15 min.
9. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING "The Church Is One Foundation." SPECIAL MUSIC by Mrs. Reva Cable "I Believe Jesus Saves."
10. Rev. Bill Linnins brought the following REPORT on Christian Growth. His thoughts were based on Matthew 5:14 and John 8:12.
 1. AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY - Good tracts and literature are available free of charge.
 2. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - stressing our Baptist Colleges.
 3. CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE - That we take a stand against liquor-by-the-drink and the television program "Soap".
 4. BAPTIST STUDENT UNION - summer opportunities for witnessing.
 5. CHRISTIAN LITERATURE and RADIO AND TELEVISION - Greetings from Mr. Chapman from N.C. Baptist Assembly at South Port, N.C.
11. The following REPORTS were given by the associational organizations:
 1. SUNDAY SCHOOL - Rev. Boyce Bradshaw (Acts 1:8) brought demonstration OF Sunday School Materials that are available, preparation and organizations of Sunday Schools. "If It's To Be, It's Up To Me."
 2. CHURCH TRAINING Report - Rev. T.W. Searcy.
 3. WMU Report - Mrs. T.W. Searcy.
 4. VBS Report - Mrs. Reva Cable.
12. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Report - Mrs. William Painter.
13. FINANCIAL Report - no report.
14. NOMINATING COMMITTEE Report - Listed in Book of Reports.
15. HISTORIAN Report - Mrs. Miriam Arledge.
16. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING "Footprints of Jesus" led by Larry Bishop with Carol Whitmire as pianist.

17. PLACE AND PREACHER Report - next associational meeting will be held at the Beulah Baptist Church October 26, 1978, with the Annual Sermon by Rev. Dillard Davidson, Pastor of the church.
18. ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS Report was given by T.W. Searcy. A request for financial assistance for our Director of Missions to be brought to the State Convention for \$2400.00. Moved and carried by uplifted hands.
19. ADOPTION of REPORTS - moved and carried.
20. RECOGNITION of HOST Pastor - instructions for the evening meal and prayer of thanksgiving. ADJOURN for evening meal.

EVENING SESSION

THE EVENING SESSION convened after a delicious meal, hosted by the following churches: Coopers Gap (host church), Big Level, Byars, Faith Temple, Pea Ridge.

1. SPECIAL MUSIC by the Coopers Gap Church Choir under the direction of Mr. R.J. Whitesides.
2. MISSIONS Report - State, Home, & Foreign- Mrs. T.W. Searcy challenged us to give more to missions during the year, through the cooperative program.
3. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. Moved and carried.
4. NEW BUSINESS - motion brought before the floor that we petition the N.C. Baptist State Convention for financial aid for the Pastor of Faith Temple Baptist Church. Motion carried.
5. MEMORIALS - names read by Mrs. Vivian Searcy - SOLO - "Because He Lives" by Mr. Kenneth Justice, Minister of Music at the Green River Baptist Church. "Promises to Live" - a reading by Doris Bradshaw followed with prayer.
6. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE Report - Mrs. Larry Stott gave expression of appreciation to Mr. Harry Gibson for making the Polk Baptist Association Co-Beneficiary of his life insurance policy; Also, to Mrs. Jack Jolley for her fine dedicated work as treasurer during the last eight years; Also, resolved that this Annual be dedicated to Rev. Zeb Baker, former Director of Missions; Expressed appreciation for the officers, directors of departments, and institutional representatives; Hand shake of appreciation and encouragement to workers.
7. MESSAGE OF CHALLENGE given by Rev. Roy Cable, Director of Missions: "Can we reach every person in Polk County for Jesus? Yes! If we follow the Great Commission given by our Savior "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel." This is inclusive of all people. "II Timothy 3:9 " Be prepared to work and witness in all situations. Be urgent in our witness. Everyone has a worth. Let us seek that worth in every person. Let God use us in reaching others in Polk Cty."
8. DOXOLOGY
9. BENEDICTION

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPRECIATION

A very out-of-the-ordinary thing happened this past July 1, 1977. Harry H. Gibson, a Sunday School Teacher and Deacon from Spartanburg, S.C., who has helped us financially in the developments at our camp-ground, has purchased a life insurance policy from the Liberty Life Insurance Company, naming the Young Life Christian Witness Organization of Spartanburg, and the Polk Baptist Association as Co-Beneficiaries for the amount of \$50,000.00. In as much as Harry H. Gibson has shown a genuine Christian Love for our young people and the on-going ministry of the Polk Baptist Association, be it resolved that the Polk Association express it's appreciation to Brother Gibson, in a letter and with an appropriate certificate prepared by our Missions Committee, from the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Polk Baptist Association.

In addition, may we also resolve to send a letter of appreciation to the Liberty Life Insurance Company Representative, Mr. Donald C. Mahaffey of Spartanburg, for his counsel and Christian Brotherhood.

RECOGNITION

In as much as Mrs. Jack Jolley has served this association faithfully and well for these eight years as our treasurer, in a position of great responsibility, requiring much time, effort, and sincere devotion, may we voice our appreciation to her, and officially recognize her as a most gracious servant of the Polk Baptist Association.

WORKERS APPRECIATION

This has been a year of transition and change. Our churches have seen the association function and grow in it's ministry to Polk County. We are seeing new visions and goals for our witness in these days.

In appreciation for each person's service, and in thanksgiving to God for His gifts in the officers, directors of departments, and institutional representatives, may we stand and give a hand shake of appreciation and encouragement to those workers around us today.

Respectfully submitted,

Resolutions Committee

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|---------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-----|-------|------------|
| BEULAH | 2,855 | 1,176 | 78 | 4,761 | 30,986 | 4,202 | 135,880 | 5 | 285 | 160,000 |
| BIG LEVEL | 700 | 475 | 420 | 2,745 | 23,830 | 7,680 | 38,360 | 2 | 187 | 70,000 |
| BYARS | | | | | 10,792 | 2,780 | 8,905 | 4 | 100 | 15,000 |
| COLUMBUS | 6,875 | 1,426 | 325 | 10,715 | 46,844 | 14,957 | 33,167 | 17 | 408 | 181,000 |
| COOPERS GAP | 2,884 | 929 | | 4,795 | 52,027 | 9,705 | 80,286 | 5 | 295 | 200,000 |
| FAITH | 656 | 809 | 1,437 | 4,590 | 25,507 | 9,536 | 25,323 | 11 | 146 | 90,000 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | | | | 4,306 | 3,178 | 4,306 | 1 | 68 | 23,000 |
| GREEN RIVER | 600 | 500 | | 1,706 | 22,328 | 13,849 | 15,049 | 4 | 201 | 150,000 |
| HICKORY GROVE | 1,191 | 1,678 | 526 | 4,756 | 41,543 | 13,496 | 37,199 | 13 | 273 | 150,000 |
| MIDWAY | 260 | 260 | | 780 | 16,877 | 5,625 | 22,262 | | 172 | 42,000 |
| MILL SPRING | 200 | 445 | | 933 | 17,447 | 6,140 | 17,447 | 2 | 229 | 120,000 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | 360 | 300 | | 1,273 | 16,427 | 7,920 | 13,673 | | 182 | 86,500 |
| PACOLET | 404 | 414 | 205 | 1,468 | 15,908 | 7,950 | 15,285 | 3 | 190 | 120,000 |
| PACOLET HILLS | 400 | 175 | | 1,175 | 9,899 | 2,800 | 8,970 | 2 | 100 | 100,000 |
| PEA RIDGE | 30 | 659 | | 1,621 | 25,427 | 8,755 | 18,993 | 3 | 181 | 95,000 |
| PENIEL | | 342 | 1,689 | 4,085 | 28,028 | 8,920 | 19,579 | 11 | 250 | 150,000 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | 2,819 | 1,205 | 576 | 5,149 | 37,810 | 9,308 | 34,963 | 1 | 296 | 160,000 |
| SILVER CREEK | 480 | 505 | | 1,650 | 26,289 | 10,920 | 23,398 | 3 | 276 | 168,000 |
| TRYON SECOND | | 456 | 128 | 988 | 13,474 | 8,281 | 11,850 | | 167 | 60,000 |
| WARRIOR MTN. | 400 | 200 | 180 | 1,105 | 4,119 | 1,828 | 2,717 | 1 | 68 | 40,000 |
| TOTALS: 1977 | 21,114 | 11,954 | 5,564 | 54,295 | 469,868 | 157,830 | 567,612 | 88 | 4,074 | 2,180,500. |
| TOTALS: 1976 | 21,081 | 14,181 | 6,908 | 51,223 | 437,244 | 157,880 | 38,254 | 108 | 4,006 | 1,919,000 |

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

ASSOCIATIONAL
MISSIONS

DESIGNATED: all other
gifts

GRAND TOTAL
MISSION EXPENDITURES

TOTAL RECEIPTS

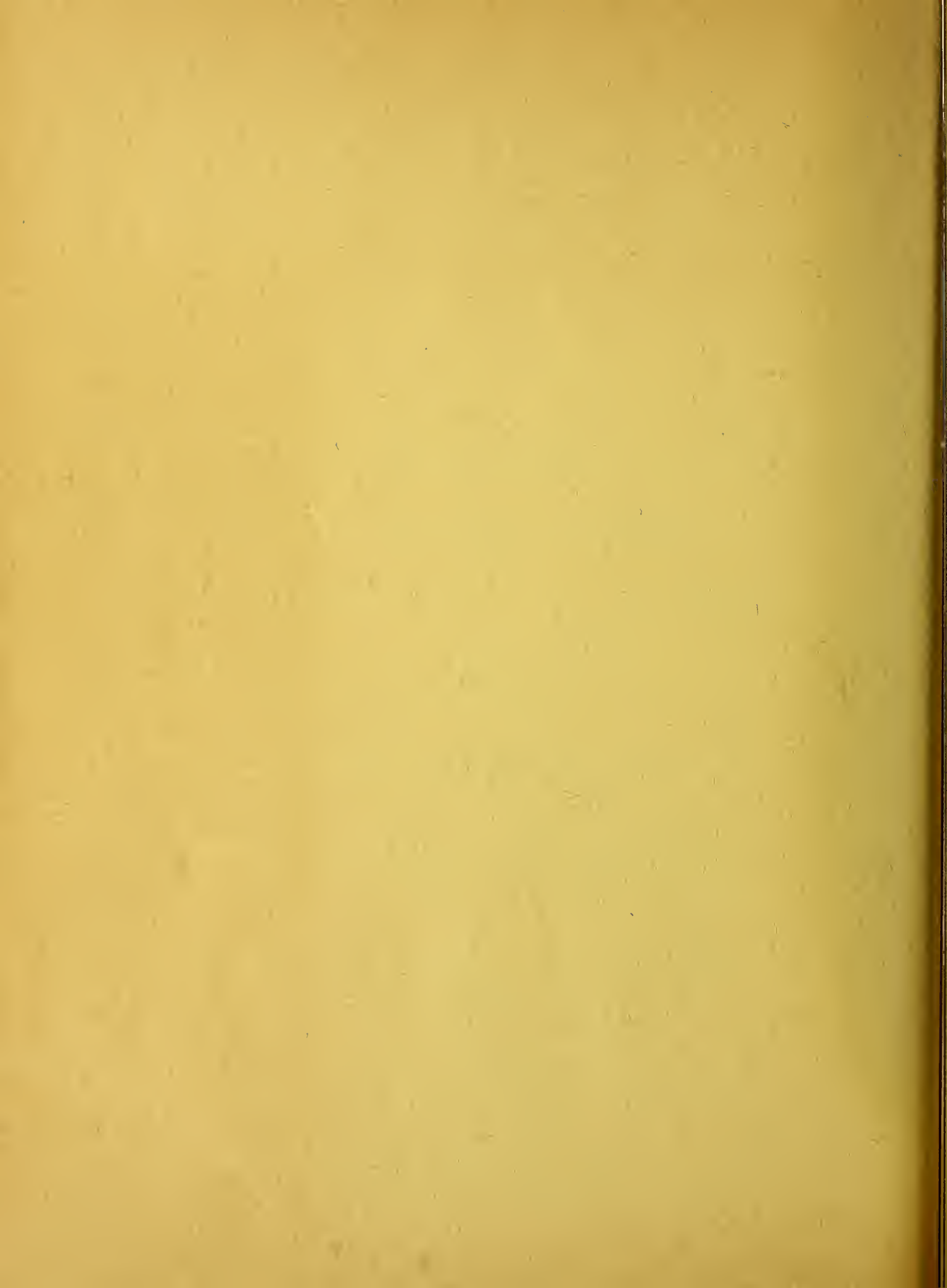
CHURCH STAFF SALARIES

TOTAL LOCAL
EXPENDITURES

TOTAL BAPTISMS

GRAND TOTAL PRESENT
MEMBERS

VALUE OF CHURCH
PROPERTY INCLUDING
PASTOR'S HOME



ASSO. S.S. DIRECTOR
 REV. BOYCE BRADSHAW
 RT.4
 RUTHERFORDTON, N.C.
 28139

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|-----------------|-----|
| BEULAH | 118 |
| BIG LEVEL | 102 |
| BYARS | 73 |
| COLUMBUS | 150 |
| COOPERS GAP | 296 |
| FAITH | 115 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | 63 |
| GREEN RIVER | 125 |
| HICKORY GROVE | 184 |
| MIDWAY | 82 |
| MILL SPRING 1st | 98 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | 83 |
| PACOLET | 34 |
| PACOLET HILLS | 53 |
| PEA RIDGE | 140 |
| PENIEL | 132 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | 152 |
| SILVER CREEK | 140 |
| TRYON SECOND | 76 |
| WARRIOR MT. | 20 |

TOTAL ONGOING SUNDAY
 SCHOOL ENROLMENT

| | |
|-----|-----|
| 91 | 91 |
| 93 | 93 |
| 70 | 70 |
| 95 | 95 |
| 164 | 164 |
| 70 | 70 |
| 50 | 50 |
| 83 | 83 |
| 148 | 148 |
| 42 | 42 |
| 41 | 41 |
| 55 | 55 |
| 25 | 25 |
| 40 | 40 |
| 78 | 78 |
| 92 | 92 |
| 92 | 92 |
| 63 | 63 |
| 43 | 43 |
| 19 | 19 |

AVERAGE WEEKLY SUNDAY
 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

| | |
|----|----|
| 74 | 74 |
| 52 | 52 |
| 75 | 75 |
| 70 | 70 |
| 63 | 63 |
| 50 | 50 |
| 52 | 52 |
| 75 | 75 |
| 25 | 25 |
| 54 | 54 |
| 38 | 38 |
| 24 | 24 |
| 30 | 30 |
| 42 | 42 |
| 84 | 84 |
| 60 | 60 |
| 97 | 97 |
| 30 | 30 |
| 30 | 30 |

TOTAL V.B.S. ENROLMENT

ASSO. T. U. DIRECTOR

| | |
|----|----|
| 33 | 33 |
| 51 | 51 |
| 41 | 41 |
| 74 | 74 |
| 40 | 40 |
| 86 | 86 |
| 17 | 17 |
| 10 | 10 |
| 18 | 18 |
| 18 | 18 |
| 62 | 62 |
| 47 | 47 |

TOTAL TRAINING UNION
 ENROLMENT

| | |
|----|----|
| 30 | 30 |
| 45 | 45 |
| 39 | 39 |
| 33 | 33 |
| 36 | 36 |
| 67 | 67 |
| 10 | 10 |
| 6 | 6 |
| 18 | 18 |
| 18 | 18 |
| 43 | 43 |
| 21 | 21 |

AVERAGE WEEKLY CHURCH
 TRAINING ATTENDANCE

ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK
Mrs. Wm.B. Palnter
P.O.Box 213
Columbus, N.C. 28722

ASSO. MUSIC DIRECTOR
Mrs. Charlene Pate
Route 1
Tryon, N.C. 28782

| | TOTAL BAPTISMS | PRESENT RESIDENT MEMBERS | GRAND TOTAL PRESENT MEMBERS | VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY INCLUDING PASTOR'S HOME | TOTAL CHURCH DEBT AT END OF THIS ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR | TOTAL CHURCH ONGOING MUSIC ENROLMENT | AVERAGE WEEKLY CHURCH MUSIC ATTENDANCE |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| BEULAH | 5 | 147 | 285 | \$160,000 | \$58,915 | 57 | 50 |
| BIG LEVEL | 2 | 137 | 187 | \$70,000 | \$15,000 | 12 | 8 |
| BYARS | 4 | 97 | 100 | \$15,000 | | 48 | 30 |
| COLUMBUS | 17 | 273 | 408 | \$181,000 | \$42,746 | 17 | 12 |
| COOPERS GAP | 5 | 236 | 295 | \$200,000 | | 30 | 20 |
| FAITH | 11 | 122 | 146 | \$90,000 | | 59 | 45 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | 1 | 68 | 68 | \$23,000 | | 20 | 20 |
| GREEN RIVER | 4 | 163 | 201 | \$150,000 | | 12 | 8 |
| HICKORY GROVE | 13 | 175 | 273 | \$150,000 | | 30 | 20 |
| MIDWAY | | 128 | 172 | \$42,000 | \$7,000 | 57 | 50 |
| MILL SPRING 1st | 2 | 161 | 229 | \$120,000 | \$1,775 | 12 | 12 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | | 92 | 182 | \$86,500 | \$9,558 | 15 | 15 |
| PACOLET | 3 | 52 | 190 | \$120,000 | \$36,054 | 18 | 15 |
| PACOLET HILLS | 2 | 61 | 100 | \$100,000 | \$20,800 | 54 | 47 |
| PEA RIDGE | 3 | 120 | 181 | \$95,000 | \$7,402 | 52 | 40 |
| PENIEL | 11 | 135 | 250 | \$150,000 | | 44 | 25 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | 1 | 193 | 296 | \$160,000 | \$6,047 | 20 | 14 |
| SILVER CREEK | 3 | 179 | 276 | \$168,000 | \$3,033 | | |
| TRYON SECOND | | 130 | 167 | \$60,000 | | | |
| WARRIOR MTN. | 1 | 34 | 68 | \$40,000 | | 7 | |

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| DIRECTOR OF ASSO. MISSIONS | | | | | | | | | |
| REV. ROY D. CABLE | | | | | | | | | |
| RT.1, BOX 414 | | | | | | | | | |
| COLUMBUS, N.C. 28722 | | | | | | | | | |
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| COOPERATIVE PROGRAM | | | | | | | | | |
| BEULAH | 2,855 | 1,176 | 150 | 182 | 225 | 85 | 1,906 | 4,761 | GRAND TOTAL MISSION EXPENDITURES |
| BIG LEVEL | 700 | 475 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 200 | 1,845 | 2,745 | |
| BYARS | | | | | | 66 | 145 | | |
| COLUMBUS | 6,875 | 1,426 | 151 | 197 | 1,279 | 318 | 3,840 | 10,715 | |
| COOPERS GAP | 2,884 | 929 | 830 | 246 | 798 | 47 | 1,911 | 4,795 | |
| FAITH | 656 | 809 | 67 | 1,300 | | 75 | 3,934 | 4,590 | |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | | | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | 600 | 500 | 25 | | 536 | 45 | 1,106 | 1,706 | |
| HICKORY GROVE | 1,191 | 1,678 | 500 | 151 | 485 | 211 | 3,565 | 4,756 | |
| MIDWAY | 260 | 260 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 520 | 780 | |
| MILL SPRING 1st | 200 | 445 | 93 | 15 | 100 | 25 | 733 | 933 | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | 360 | 300 | 30 | 106 | 391 | 45 | 913 | 1,273 | |
| PACOLET | 404 | 414 | 35 | 102 | 184 | 68 | 1,064 | 1,468 | |
| PACOLET HILLS | 400 | 175 | 17 | 226 | 108 | | 600 | 1,175 | |
| PEA RIDGE | 30 | 659 | | | 112 | 396 | 1,591 | 1,621 | |
| PENIEL | | 342 | | | 1,520 | 453 | 4,085 | 4,085 | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | 2,819 | 1,205 | 24 | 25 | 455 | 45 | 2,330 | 5,149 | |
| SILVER CREEK | 480 | 505 | | 200 | 400 | 65 | 1,170 | 1,650 | |
| TRYON SECOND | | 456 | 53 | 53 | 136 | 100 | 988 | 988 | |
| WARRIOR MT. | 400 | 200 | 40 | 45 | 100 | 60 | 705 | 1,105 | |

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

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| Moderator | Mr. Leroy McGraw |
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| Clerk | Mrs. Bill Painter |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
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| Parliamentarian | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| Superintendent Of Missions | Rev. Roy Cable |

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| Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Church Training | |
| VBS | Mrs. Roy Cable |
| WMU | Mrs. T.W. Searcy |
| Brotherhood | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Music | Mrs. Bill Pate, Jr. |
| Chairman of Evangelism | Rev. Ron Gilbert |

Institutional Representatives

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| American Bible Society | Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. |
| Annunity Board | Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter | Mr. James F. Cochran |
| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Homes for the Aging | Rev. Alvin Jackson |
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| Baptist Student Union | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| Christian Education | Mrs. Joyce Jackson |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship, CP | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| State, Home, Foreign Missions | Mrs. T.W. Searcy |
| Radio and T.V. | Mr. Robert Durham |

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BYARS
COLUMBUS
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FAITH
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GREEN RIVER
HICKORY GROVE
MIDWAY
MILL SPRING
MORGAN CHAPEL
PACOLET
PACOLET HILLS
PEA RIDGE
PENIEL
SANDY SPRINGS
SILVER CREEK
TRYON SECOND
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN

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Leonard Greene
Mrs. Hubert Russell
Mrs. J.L. Tallant
Mrs. Clarence McGuinn
Mrs. Jack Jolley
Mrs. Doris Blackwell
Mrs. Pauline Henson
Mrs. Doris Steadman
E.S. Burnette, Jr.
Mrs. Hazel Huntsinger
Mrs. Edith Thompson
Mrs. Sara Thompson
Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott
Mrs. Jeanette Rickman
Bill Holbert
Miss Donnice Turner
Mrs. Boyce Jackson
Mrs. Linda Gillie
Mrs. Delia A. Byrd

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Floyd Dyer
Mrs. Hubert Russell
Mrs. Frances Pace
Mrs. Clarence Wilson
Mrs. William Arledge
Arnold Odom
James Deck
Ray Grigg
John Gibbs
Henry Huntsinger
Mrs. Rachel Dill
Miss Bernice Ravan
Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott
Kenneth Edwards
Albert Durham
Mrs. Edna McCraw
Mrs. Lloyd Jackson
Mrs. Hope Hipp
Mrs. Shirley Anderson

CHURCHES

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Hugh Chanpion
John Hays
Roy Price
Lonnie Hall
Ted Owens
Frank Walker
Jeff Reid
Buford Harris
Earl Steadman
E.S. Burnette, Sr.
Claudie Pack
Roy Laughter
Artice Ballard
Lewis Flynn
Frank Price
Calvin Owens
Donald Yelton
Boyce Jackson
Irvin Gillie
Donald E. Byrd

CHURCH TRAINING

Morris Ruff
Dwight Lynch

Paul Whitesides
Jack Jolley
John Painter

Elizabeth Burrell

Ted Pack
Bernice Holbert

Hubern Chitwood

Mrs. Betty Shields
Roy Proctor

CHURCH OFFICERS

CHURCHES

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BROTHERHOOD

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| BEULAH | Mrs. Doris Champion |
| BIG LEVEL | |
| BYARS | |
| COLUMBUS | Mrs. Nick Masternick |
| COOPERS GAP | |
| FAITH | Mrs. Carolyn Gilbert |
| FAITH TEMPLE | |
| GREEN RIVER | Mrs. Pauline Henson |
| HICKORY GROVE | Mrs. Vivian Searcy |
| MIDWAY | |
| MILL SPRING | Mrs. Allen Wilson |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | Mrs. Anna Campbell |
| PACOLET | Mrs. Annie Randall |
| PACOLET HILLS | Mrs. Judy Smith |
| PEA RIDGE | |
| PENIEL | Mrs. Louise Flynn |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Mrs. Eunice Jolly |
| SILVER CREEK | Mrs. Miriam Arledge |
| TRYON SECOND | Mrs. Thelma Thompson |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | Mrs. Delia A. Byrd |

Jerry Padgett

Duran Turner
James Cochran

Gene Anderson

CHURCHES

DEACONS - CHAIRMAN

MUSIC DIRECTORS

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| BEULAH | Hugh Champion |
| BIG LEVEL | David Miller |
| BYARS | Gene Wilson |
| COLUMBUS | Horace Smith |
| COOPERS GAP | Ted Owens |
| FAITH | Jack Jolley |
| FAITH TEMPLE | Robert Painter |
| GREEN RIVER | Ray Richards |
| HICKORY GROVE | Russell Stott |
| MIDWAY | E.S. Burnette, Sr. |
| MILL SPRING | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | J.M. Brown |
| PACOLET | Artice Ballard |
| PACOLET HILLS | Clifford Stott |
| PEA RIDGE | Jack Morris |
| PENIEL | Donell Flynn |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Charlie Jolly |
| SILVER CREEK | Beauford Arledge |
| TRYON SECOND | Harley Burell |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | Donald E. Byrd |

Paul Stacy
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Gene Wilson

R.J. Whitesides
James Owens
Mrs. Jean Painter
Kenneth Justice
Mrs. Larry Stott
Ronald Bradley
Larry Wilson
J.M. Brown
Mrs. Ramona Rhodes
Kevin Chitwood
Earl Taylor
Mrs. Charlene Pate
Larry Bishop
Lloyd Jackson
Mrs. Thelma Thompson
Mrs. Delia A. Byrd

PASTORS NOW SERVING IN THE ASSOCIATION

| <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>PASTOR</u> | <u>ADDRESS</u> | <u>TELEPHONE</u> |
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| BIG LEVEL | George Lynch | Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 625-4693 * |
| BYARS | Henry Owensby | Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 625-9297 * |
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| COOPERS GAP | John Godfrey | Rt. 2, Box 163 Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 625-4676 * |
| FAITH | Ron Gilbert | Rt. 1, Box 2 Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8063 * |
| FAITH TEMPLE | William Painter | P.O. Box 213 Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 894-8881 * |
| GREEN RIVER | Boyce Bradshaw | Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139 | 863-4344 * |
| HICKORY GROVE | T.W. Searcy | Rt. 1 Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 863-4830 * |
| MIDWAY | Alvin Jackson | Rt. 1, Box 182 Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 894-8084 * |
| MILL SPRING | Allen Wilson | Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8841 * |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | W.C. Pate, Sr. | 202 S. Lee St. Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 457-3927 * |
| PACOLET | | Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 859-5336 * |
| PACOLET HILLS | Benson Hodge | 147 Westview Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139 | 286-9487 * |
| PEA RIDGE | Don Harris | Rt. 1 Box 105 Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-3362 * |
| PENIEL | W.C. Pate, Jr. | Rt. 1, Box 42 Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 894-8494 * |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Bill Linnins | Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323 | 863-2190 * |
| SILVER CREEK | | Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8598 * |
| TRYON SECOND | Bruce Johnson | 101 McDonald St., Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 859-5368 * |
| WARRIOR MTN. | Herman Bright | P.O. Box 184 Zirconia, N.C. 28790 | 692-8082 * |

A WORD
from
your
DIRECTOR of MISSIONS

I've never known the challenge of service that I've realized as your Associational Director of Missions. Every moment brings new excitement and greater challenge.

Reva and I are well satisfied and continue to look for opportunities to serve every church. If you have a need we can fill, call us please!

Our hope is to see Polk County churches reach Polk County for Jesus. We only have 1/5 of the population of Polk County as members of our churches. By this, we all can see the need for missions work by every church member.

Surely this is the year when we truly need to say,

"LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT."

Roy D. Cable
Director of Missions
Polk Baptist Association
Rt. 1 Box 414
Columbus, N.C. 28722

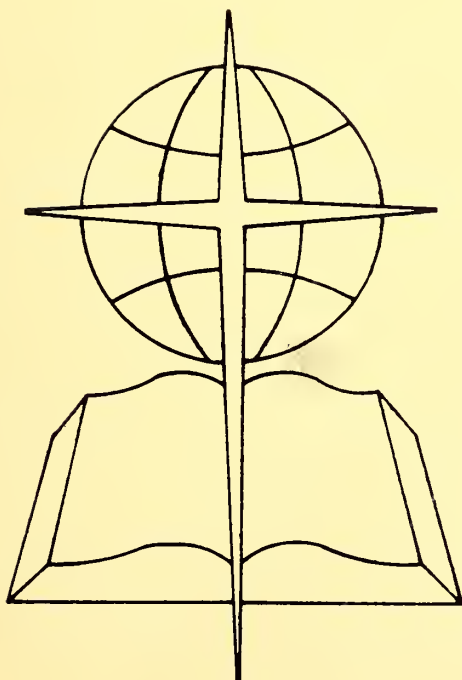
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POLK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
North Carolina

NINTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF
POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Columbus, North Carolina

Meeting With
BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

October 26, 1978

Mr. Leroy McCraw, Moderator

Mrs. William Painter, Clerk

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DEDICATION

We dedicate this annual to Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr., the first Moderator of the Polk Baptist Association.

On August 26, 1978 W. C. Pate, Sr. celebrated the 50th Anniversary of being ordained to the ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. On August 26, 1928 he was ordained to the ministry by Bald Creek Baptist Church, Yancey County, North Carolina.

Since the beginning of this first pastorate in October 1932 there has never been an hour W. C. Pate has been without a place of pastoral service, having served as pastor of twelve different churches in both North Carolina and South Carolina. His last two pastorates have been in the Polk Baptist Association: Coopers Gap Church (August 31, 1969 - December 30, 1973) and Morgan Chapel Church (January 1, 1974 - December 31, 1978).

W. C. Pate, Sr. served for three years as moderator of the Kershaw Baptist Association, Kershaw County, South Carolina. He helped to organize the Polk Baptist Association, Polk County, North Carolina, and served two years as Moderator of the Polk Baptist Association (1970-71).

The dedication of this annual is presented in sincere thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for His blessings upon the ministry of W. C. Pate, Sr. "To God be the glory, great things He has done."

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS FOR 1978-79

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|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Moderator | Rev. Bill Linnins |
| Vice-Moderator | Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| Clerk | Mrs. William Painter |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| Historian | Mrs. Bona Arledge |
| Parliamentarian | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| Director of Missions | Rev. M. R. Simpson |

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Church Training | Rev. William Painter |
| V. B. S. | Rev. John Godfrey |
| W. M. U. | Mrs. Gill Smothers |
| Brotherhood | Mr. Jerry Padgett |
| Chairman of Evangelism | Rev. Fred Rhodes |
| Music | Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. |

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

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| American Bible Society | Rev. T. G. Gentry |
| Annuity Board | Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. |
| Baptist Children's Home Youth Shelter | Mr. James F. Cochran |
| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Homes for the Aging | Rev. Benson Hodge |
| Baptist Hospital | Rev. William Painter |
| Baptist Student Union | Rev. John Godfrey |
| Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| Christian Education | Rev. Alvin Jackson |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship | Mr. Leroy McCraw |
| State, Home & Foreign Missions | Mrs. T. W. Searcy |
| Radio and T. V. | Mrs. Robert Durham |
| North Carolina State General Board | Rev. T. W. Searcy |

OFFICERS OF THE PASTORS CONFERENCE

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| President | Rev. Lee Gregory |
| Vice-President | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Rev. Alvin Jackson |

PROCEEDINGS - NINTH SESSION

October 26, 1978

The Polk Baptist Association met for their ninth annual session October 26, 1978 at the Beulah Baptist Church.

"Let the Church Reach Out" for this year's theme. 92 messengers and 80 guests were present. Leroy McCraw moderator, presided.

The call to worship was hymn number 260 led by Miss Carron Prince and Charlene Pate at the piano. Rev. Alvin Jackson, pastor of the Midway Church, read the scripture and led in prayer.

Rev. T. W. Searcy made the motion for adoption of the program. Seconded. Carried by show of hands.

Presentation of the book of reports was made by Rev. M. R. Simpson. He made comments concerning the preparation of the reports and noted some growth according to the tables.

Rev. Simpson was then called to introduce the new pastors in the association. The following new pastors were introduced: Tom Gentry, Tryon 2nd; Fred Rhodes, Columbus; John Godfrey, Cooper's Gap; Lee Gregory, Silver Creek; and Benson Hodge, Pacolet Hills. Introduction of guests and visitors. Miss Carron Prince-minister of music at the Columbus Church and also Rev. Hugh Starnes from the Broyhill Children's Home.

Special music was presented by Miss Prince who gave her testimony and sang "His Personal Concern" from the musical - "Celebration Of Life".

Baptist Children's Home report was given next. In the absence of Mr. James Cochran, Rev. Hugh Starnes from the Broyhill spoke to this report. He spoke concerning meeting the crisis in the broken homes before it happens. He said that the greatest need for our children is the emergency care facilities. The Thermal Belt Youth Shelter is meeting this need in our area. Rev. William Painter introduced Rev. Louis Ludlum. Rev. Ludlum spoke to this report and also introduced Rev. Wade Huntley, pastor of Holly Springs Baptist Church, who is also Rev. Ludlum's brother-in-law.

Rev. Ludlum spoke concerning the work at the Baptist Hospital. Why the Baptist Hospital? It is not only a hospital, but a learning center as well.

Adoption of reports with motions and a second.

Dedication of the book reports was to Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr. (See report on fly sheet page 3 of book of reports). Dedication made by Rev. M. R. Simpson, Director of Missions.

Congregational hymn number 335 "Standing on the Promises" led by Miss Prince.

Special music - solo by Mrs. Doris Stott - "Others".

Annual sermon by Rev. Dillard Davidson - Luke 16:19. Rev. Davidson used this scripture and spoke to us on the subject of "Hell". Prayer by Rev. Wade Huntley. Rev. Davidson challenged our hearts to live in such a way as to avoid

hell and encourage others to accept Christ. 1 - Hell is a real place, 2 - Hell is a place with no water, 3 - Hell is a place of prayer and 4 - Hell is a place of souls.

He asked us to commit ourselves to doing more for the Lord.

Congregational hymn: "Serve the Lord with Gladness", led by Mrs. T. W. Searcy followed by solo "I Have Returned" by Mrs. Charlene Pate.

Announcements concerning adding an extension seminary center to our association. This is being sponsored by the Baptist State Convention. Cost is the price of the textbooks, plus local expense.

Christian Higher Education - Katie Hatcher from Gardner Webb College spoke to this report.

Reports adopted by motion and second.

Reports of Associational Directors:

The Sunday School report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. (p. 15 of book of reports)

The Church Training report was given by Rev. William Painter. (p. 20 of book of reports)

WMU report was given by Mrs. T. W. Searcy. She challenged the churches that do not have WMU to begin a program. Motion made and carried to adopt report.

Music report was given by Charlene Pate and stressed the following goals: (1) To share leadership (2) To strengthen music leadership (3) To seek to meet the musical needs of all the churches in the Polk Association. Motion made and carried to adopt report. Rev. John Godfrey, VBS, urged us to work even more in VBS also to plan adult VBS. Motion made and seconded to adopt report carried.

Rev. Henry Stokes from Wake Forest University expressed his appreciation for the help of the churches to the colleges. He asked us to urge our young people to attend Baptist Colleges. He also spoke concerning the Biblical Recorder.

Executive Committee Report given by Mrs. William Painter. Report adopted by motion with a second.

Financial Report given by Mrs. Jack Jolley. Report adopted by motion made with a second.

Report of committee on committees report given and seconded. Also with change.

Nominating report given by Rev. Ron Gilbert.

Congregational singing led by Mrs. T. W. Searcy "Send The Light", "Praise Him" and "I Stand Amazed in the Presence".

We enjoyed very much the children's choir from Sandy Springs Church.

The Evangelism report was given by Rev. Ron Gilbert.

Motion to adopt this report with a second.

The associational committee report was given by Rev. T. W. Searcy. He expressed his appreciation to all the members of the committee who worked so hard to meet the challenge.

Director of Missions report given by Rev. M. R. Simpson (p. 26 of book of reports.)

Recognition of host pastor, Rev. Dillard Davidson. Returning of thanks by Rev. M. R. Simpson, Director of Missions.

We enjoyed the delicious meal served so nicely by the Beulah Church and the other churches in their group.

EVENING SESSION - 7:00 P. M.

Congregational singing - "To God Be the Glory" led by Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. associational music director. Then we were favored by special music from the Beulah Church. This was followed by scripture and prayer by Rev. Lee Gregory, pastor of the Silver Creek Church.

Annuity report - Motion made to adopt report. Seconded. Rev. W. C. Pate Jr. spoke to this report. He urged that all churches participate in the Annuity Program (10% - 33.64 per month)

Time, place and preacher report - Next meeting to be held at the Hickory Grove Church, October 25, 1979 / Preacher to be announced at a later executive meeting. Motion made and seconded. Show of hands. Motion carries.

Missions report was given as follows: Mrs. James Fisher - Acteen Director - presentation and speech concerning the work of acteens: What they do - What are their duties. How do they grow: by mission study, mission action, mission support, mission organization. Mrs. Gil (Rena) Smothers was introduced. She is the new WMU associational director. Mrs. T. W. Searcy, outgoing president, spoke to this report on the over all mission thrust. She urged us to be willing for God to use us; to be willing to go and to give. Bold Mission Thrust - How alive is this program in our church. Mrs. Searcy stressed the need to do more in the future than we have in the past. God has promised to be with us. Motion to adopt report. Seconded. Show of hands. Motion carries.

Presentation of Budget with the amendment that we add \$200.00 to the budget for evangelism. Motion made. Seconded. Motion carries.

Call for additional business.

Motion made that we change our time from 1:00 to 2:00 for our 1979 meeting. Seconded - Carried. Time for "M" Night also changed from 7:30 to 7:00 P. M.

Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr., associational music director, expressed her thanks to Miss Carron Prince, the Sandy Springs Church Choir, the Youth from the Beulah Church. Also to Mrs. Stott and Mrs. Searcy.

Announcements made from the floor concerning revivals and meetings. Memorials by Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw. Names read by Mrs. Vivan Searcy. Poem "The Holy Springtime" read by Mrs. Bradshaw. Prayer by Mrs. Bradshaw. Back ground music "Precious Memories" by Charlene Pate.

Resolutions Committee report by Mrs. Larry Stott.

Solo "So Send I You" sung by Charlene Pate.

A motion was then made from the floor that we adopt these reports and the program for publication.

Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr., brought the message of Challenge - Bold Missions in a tottering world. The hope for the future of the world lies within our churches. Our commission is to be soul witness. We should have a deep understanding of human need and a deep concern for the lost. Sin destroys homes - both rich and poor. Sin separates homes, communities and churches.

Sin separates men from God. Rev. Pate challenged us to go from this associational meeting to be better soul winners. There is an adequate remedy for sin.

Doxology and Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. William Painter

“Let The Church Reach Out In Bold Missions”

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| 5:40 | Nominating Committee | Mr. Grover Whitmire |
| 5:45 | Historian | Mrs. Miriam Arledge |
| | Hymn - "Send The Light" | |
| | Special Music - Children's Choir | Sandy Springs Church |
| 6:00 | Time, Preacher, Place Report | Mr. Clifford Stott |
| | Evangelism | Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| 6:10 | Association Missions Report | Rev. T. W. Searcy |
| | Director of Missions Report | Rev. M. R. Simpson |
| | Adoption of Reports | |
| | Recognition of Host Pastor | |
| 6:15 | Break for Evening Meal | |

EVENING SESSION

7:00 Hymn No. 35 - "To God Be The Glory" Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr.
 Associational Music Director
 Special Music Beulah Baptist Church - Mr. Paul Stacey, Music Dir.
 Scripture and Prayer Rev. Lee Gregory
 7:10 Annuity Report Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr.
 Missions - Christian Stewardship, Cooperative Program,
 State, Home and Foreign Missions Mrs. T. W. Searcy
 Acteens Skit Mrs. James Fisher, Assoc. Acteen Director
 7:30 Presentation of Budget Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
 Business (Additional or Unfinished) Moderator
 Adoption of Reports and Program for publication
 7:50 Memorials Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw
 8:00 Resolutions Mrs. Larry Stott
 8:15 Special Music Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr., Music Director
 Peniel Baptist Church
 Message of CHALLENGE Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr.
 Doxology
 8:15 Benediction - Prayer of Dedication of new officers
 Adjourn until October 25, 1979 at Hickory Grove Baptist Church.

Licensed And Ordained Ministers In Our Association Who Are Not Pastors At The Present Time

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| BEULAH | Rev. Roy Page, Route 1, Landrum, S. C. | 29356 |
| BIG LEVEL | | None |
| BYARS | | None |
| COLUMBUS | Rev. J. B. Jones, Highway 108, Columbus | 28722 |
| COOPER GAP | | None |
| FAITH | (L) Phillip McCall, Route 1, Mill Spring | 28756 |
| | (L) James Owens, Route 1, Columbus | 28722 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | None |
| GREEN RIVER | | None |
| HICKORY GROVE | | None |
| MIDWAY | (L) William Mills, Route 1, Columbus | 28722 |
| | (L) Herman Case, Route 1, Columbus | 28722 |
| MILL SPRINGS | | None |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | | None |
| PACOLET HILLS | | None |
| PEA RIDGE | | None |
| PENIEL | (O) Rev. Ralph Cockran, Route 1, Columbus | 28722 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | | None |
| SILVER CREEK | | None |
| TRYON SECOND | Rev. C. P. Burrell, Lynn, N. C. | |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | | None |

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| | Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon N. C. | 28782 |
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| | Marvin Wilson, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. | |
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| | Mr. Zeno Lancaster, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. | |
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| | Mrs. James S. Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. | 28756 |
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| | Mr. Jeff Reid, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. | 28756 |
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| | Mr. Ray Richards, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S. C. | |
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| PEA RIDGE | Mr. Preston Bouryer, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| PENIEL | Mr. Albert Durham, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
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| SILVER CREEK | Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. |
| | Mr. Boyce L. Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. |
| TRYON | Mr. Harley Burrell, Box 221 Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
| WARRIOR MTN. | Mr. Donald Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda, N. C. 28773 |

The Constitution says that each church shall have three voting members on the Executive Committee, namely the pastor, the treasurer, and one elected member. All general officers and heads of departments are members ex-officio.

Elected Messengers To The 1978 Annual Associational Meeting - Beulah Church

BEULAH: Hugh Champion, Bill Biggerstaff, Hoyt Champion, Irene Biggerstaff.

BIG LEVEL: Mrs. Florence Gilbert, Mrs. Alice Skipper, Mr. General Haynes.

BYARS: Rev. Henry Owensby, Jessie Russell, Pauline Russell, Gene Wilson, Glynes Wilson.

COLUMBUS: Mrs. Myrtle Masternick, Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Martha Hill.

COOPER'S GAP: Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Mrs. Inez Whitmire, Mrs. Margaret Shelton, Mrs. Christa Whitesides, Mr. Henry Stepp, Mr. Glenn Burgess, Mr. Zeno Lancaster.

FAITH: Mrs. Herbert Rhodes, Mr. Lee Thompson, Mrs. Lee Thompson, Mrs. William Arledge.

FAITH TEMPLE: Doris Blackwell, Wanda Reid, Robert Painter.

GREEN RIVER: Boyce Bradshaw, Doris Bradshaw, Buford Harris, Virgie Harris, Inez Shytle.

HICKORY GROVE: Mrs. Edna Stott, Mrs. Cleo Powell, Mrs. Tessie Stott, Mrs. Blanch Raburn, Mr. Eugene Morgan, Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Searcy.

MIDWAY: John Ford, Alvin Jackson, Lewis Mills, Almer Ford, Connie Mills.

MILL SPRINGS: Gertie McKee, Woodrow McKee, Shelby Wilson, Ruby Jackson, Joann Moss.

MORGAN'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Stewart Holbert, Mrs. Bernice Holbert, Mr. George Willard, Mrs. Thelma Willard, Mr. Renzo Jones, Mrs. Renzo Jones.

PACOLET HILLS: Mrs. Elsie Chitwood, Mrs. Elsie Edwards, Steve Henderson.

PEA RIDGE: Rev. and Mrs. Ed White, Mr. Oliver Taylor.

PENIEL: Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr., Charlie Wilson, Marion Wilson, Josephine Wilson, Paul McEntire, Irene Pennington, Jervey Durham, Gladys Durham, Oma Thompson, Bobby Holbert, Charles Jackson, Albert Durham, Micky Durham, Robert Durham, Grace Durham, Ernest Jackson, Louise Jackson.

SANDY SPRINGS: Mr. Leroy McCraw.

SILVER CREEK: Mrs. Lee Gregory, Mrs. H. B. Arledge, Mrs. Grady Russell. Alternates - Mrs. Nellie Edwards, Mrs. Dora Arledge.

TRYON SECOND: Rev. Tom Gentry, Mrs. Harley Burrell, Mrs. Hope Hipp.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Elma Bright, Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Donald Byrd.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT 1978-79

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS

Rev. M. R. Simpson, Chairman
Mrs. Dean Grigg
Mrs. Leo Campbell

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Mr. Leroy McCraw
Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Searcy
Mrs. Charlene Pate
Mrs. Jack Jolley

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Chairman
John Gibbs
Rev. George Lynch

EVANGELISM

Rev. Fred Rhodes, Chairman
Rev. Bill Linnins

MISSION COMMITTEE

Elects own Chairman
Consists of all Officers
and Directors of departments

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Ron Gilbert, Chairman
Rev. Lee Gregory
Mr. Leroy McCraw

ORDINATIONS

Rev. T. W. Searcy, Chairman
Rev. Alvin Jackson

YOUTH SHELTER

Mr. James F. Cochran

PROGRAM AND CALENDAR

General Officers and Heads of
Departments

PLACE AND PREACHER

Mr. Clifford Stott, Chairman
Mr. Hugh Arledge
Mr. Leroy McCraw

RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Mrs. Ladd Edwards
Mrs. Madge Russell

MEMORIALS

Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Chairman
Mrs. T. W. Searcy
Mrs. Charlene Pate

TRUSTEES

Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr. Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor

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Mrs. Millie Simpson

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Rev. Alvin Jackson
Rev. Ron Gilbert

EVANGELISM REPORT - 1978

A significant goal in BOLD MISSIONS is to encourage every church to double baptisms by 1982. Christians need to lead unsaved persons to make genuine commitments to Christ and to guide them in their spiritual development. Pastors and church leaders can use the note book - Bold Evangelism Through the Local Church - to plan and develop an ongoing program of evangelism.

"The Evangelistic Church on Bold Mission" was the theme of the 32nd Statewide Evangelistic Conference at the War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro, during Feb. 6-7, 1978. Evangelistic speakers challenged about 2,400 pastors and lay persons to involve church members in Bold Evangelism.

Youth Evangelism Strategy can help associations and churches train their youth in witnessing to the unsaved and in personal discipleship. Also, this helps equip adults to work with youth in evangelism.

The State-Wide Evangelism Conference will be held at Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, on February 5-6, 1979.

Polk Association has been encouraged to support evangelism efforts during the past year. All of the churches engaged in simultaneous revivals in the spring. There were many good reports over the results of changed lives and commitments to Christ that were made.

The Polk Association appreciates the work of the Evangelism Committee which has been led by Rev. Ron Gilbert. Let us all pledge our support and especially our prayers to greater days in the year ahead.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The American Bible Society, founded in 1816, has only one purpose - "To promote the distribution of Holy Scriptures without doctrinal note or comment and without profit". The Society is a member of the United Bible Societies, a partnership of Bible societies throughout the world cooperating to make Scriptures available to people everywhere in their own languages at prices they can easily afford. 1977 was the year in which more people were reached with God's Word than ever before in Bible Society history. The distribution of New Testaments throughout all of Latin America increased 56.8 percent. Distribution in Africa has increased as much as 180 percent in a certain area. Distribution throughout all of Asia increased from 120,333,729 Scriptures in 1976 to 178,876,269 in 1977.

Much of the success achieved for the Bible cause in 1977 was due to the untiring efforts of more than 30,000 American Bible Society volunteers who carried our local distribution programs in hospitals, schools, jails, missions, and places of business, visited churches, radio interviews, and recruited members for the Bible-A-Month Club. Contributions from the churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1977 were \$251,908, or approximately \$.022 per member.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. T. G. Gentry, Representative

1977-78 ANNUAL REPORT BROTHERHOOD COMMISSION, S. B. C.

During the 1977-78 fiscal year, The Brotherhood Commission emphasized mission education, mission commitment, evangelism and leader training. While enrollment of men and boys in Brotherhood units dropped by 1.2 percent to 473,309 at the start of the year, the number of churches with Brotherhood work increased by 52 to a total of 15,359.

Churches with Baptist Men's work increased by 408 and those with Brotherhood directors by 316 . . .

In the area of mission education, a long range plan to provide every Southern Baptist Church with mission information and opportunity for involvement in missions progressed on schedule.

The Commission is working with Woman's Missionary Union, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, and Sunday School Board through a Mission Education Council to complete this project.

The project calls for researching and developing a correlated program design and missions curriculum, a convention-wide plan for mission education, and a national merchandising plan for mission education materials. The project is designed to help implement BOLD MISSION THRUST, the effort of the Southern Baptists to communicate the gospel to every person in the world by the year 2000.

Working with WMU, the Commission helped sponsor a Bold Mission Leadership Conference at Glorietta Baptist Conference Center which attracted 2039, an increase of almost 25 percent over a similar conference a year before. An emphasis on the involvement of lay people in denominational activities and vocational witnessing drew 8,500 to Atlanta for 15 vocational breakfasts and a bold mission rally featuring President Jimmy Carter, a leading Southern Baptist layman.

At the same time, the Commission led in arranging world missions conferences attended by more than one million Southern Baptist.

In the area of mission commitment, the Commission strongly encouraged Southern Baptists to become involved in missions as short-term volunteers, particularly through the Mission Service Corps.

The agency also developed new ministries and supporting materials in the areas of lay-led revivals, prison ministries, Bible distribution and retirees in missions.

Besides involving about 5,000 persons in renewal events, the Commission conducted research in 20 churches on the best ways to communicate the theology of the laity. In another new venture 50 couples were trained to conduct mission and ministry weekends in their churches.

The Commission continued to bolster its corps of trained leaders, preparing about 600 specialists to help 33 state Baptist conventions train church and associational Brotherhood officers.

Among the specialists were persons equipped to help churches organize Brotherhood units for men and boys who speak Spanish, Chinese, and Korean. Southern Baptists' allocation through the Cooperative Program was \$522,500.

IN OUR POLK ASSOCIATION I REGRET TO SAY THAT WE ONLY HAVE 5 BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATIONS AND I FEEL OUR MEN ARE MISSING SOME MOST REWARDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE. MEN, LET US ACCEPT THIS CHALLENGE IN 1979 OF THE GREAT BOLD THRUST AND NEXT YEAR WE MAY HAVE OUR MEN ORGANIZED AND LABORING TOGETHER FOR HIS GLORY. THE CHALLENGE IS GREAT, AND WE CAN MEET IT IF WE WILL BE OBEDIENT.

Mr. Jack Jolley, Brotherhood Director

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR 1978

The year 1977 was one of contrasts for the Annuity Board. While the Board grew markedly in new retirement and insurance accounts, investment earnings suffered due to poor stock market performance.

The year also represented a period of strong demands which resulted from servicing needs of new accounts, a complex asset allocation process, implementation of a new church retirement program and accounting responsibilities of new investment funds.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1978, 3,387 staff members of 2,257 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program.

In Polk Association 11 churches and 14 staff members are participating in the retirement program.

The Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention maintains a Toll-Free Number where you can call Monday through Friday from 9:30 A. M. - 5:30 P. M. The Toll-Free Number is: 1-800-527-4767. You will be able to talk with a qualified person at the Annuity Board who will be able to give you details concerning the outstanding programs available from our Annuity Board. These programs include retirement security, Disability and Life Insurance, and Medical Insurance.

We encourage all of our churches to provide these important benefits for your pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Pate, Jr.

Representative, Polk Baptist Association
Annuity Board of Southern Baptist

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT - 1978

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the Polk Baptist Associational Annual Meeting for the year 1979 meets as follows:

PLACE: Hickory Grove Baptist Church

TIME: October 25, 1979

PREACHER:

ALTERNATE:

Mr. Clifford Stott, Chairman

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED WESTERN AREA 1978

The programs, services and facilities of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina are being utilized well for the care of children and in providing assistance to families that need our help. North Carolina Baptists and other friends continue to support this ministry through personal involvement, prayer and financial support. It is the purpose of the Homes to provide quality care and to be worthy of the faith and confidence of our many friends and supporters.

Requests are coming to the Homes from various sections of the state for additional community-based services (such as, emergency care and group homes). This is a wholesome trend in child care. Children can best be served and families strengthened when care can be provided reasonably close to a child's home. Our homes have been moving in that direction for several years. We will respond to additional requests for programs and services as financial resources permit.

North Carolina Baptists have reason to be pleased with work that is currently in progress in Western North Carolina. Broyhill Home, foster home services, emergency care at Forest City, maternity care in Asheville, programs of crisis intervention, counseling, and family education fill a particular need in this area of our state.

We are in constant need of well qualified staff. This is particularly true of cottage parents and foster home parents. Join us in prayer that God will impress upon sufficient numbers of prospective workers that child care is a Christian vocation and that it affords wonderful opportunities for service.

We are deeply grateful for support of the Children's Homes which comes from our churches through the Cooperative Program, special gifts and the traditional Thanksgiving offering.

The forthcoming Thanksgiving offering is extremely important. This will be the last time that our people will have the challenge of making an over-and-above love offering to the Children's Homes at Thanksgiving time. As a part of the Bold Mission thrust, the Thanksgiving offering for the Children's Homes in 1979 will become a part of the North Carolina Baptist State Missions offering to be received each September thereafter.

To bridge the transitional gap next year, our trustees have set a goal of \$1,000,000 (One million dollars) through the 1978 Thanksgiving offering. We are dependent upon our friends for financial support sufficient to carry on this ministry.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT - 1978

The Sunday School assists the church in fulfilling its most important functions of worship, proclamation, education, and ministry. It does this by reaching all prospects for the church, and leads all church members to worship and witness daily.

The Bible teaching program, the Sunday School of the church, has four significant tasks to be performed:

1. Teach the Biblical Revelation.
2. Reach people for Christ and Church membership.
3. Perform the functions of the church within its membership.
4. Provide and interpret information concerning the work of the church and denomination.

There must be an increase in scope and effort in response to the challenge to teach all men God's word. We can have a part in teaching all men God's word through BOLD TEACHING and BOLD WITNESSING.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, S. S. Director

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT - 1978

1978 has been a great year for Vacation Bible School. No church would want to miss the golden opportunities found in working in V. B. S. A good clinic was held in the spring at Faith. Then all of the churches carried out good Bible Schools. One church had to unite with another church for their school. Eighteen churches had one in their respective churches. There were many dedications and a number of professions of faith. It was interesting to note that there were three wonderful adult classes in Bible School. One church is still having Bible classes today.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL 1978

Baptist Hospital continues to find ways of enlarging and improving its care of patients.

During the past year, the Department of Family Medicine moved into new quarters. It is anticipated that with the larger area, the Family Practice Center will provide primary health care for more than 5,000 families by 1980. Also, the teaching program for resident physicians in Family Medicine will increase to 36 positions by 1980. Many of these physicians are expected to enter family practice in North Carolina.

Other improvements in patient care include the installation of a whole-body scanner and the opening of new and larger facilities for the Intensive Care and Intermediate Nurseries. The body scanner is particularly useful in locating and defining problems such as tumors in the chest, abdomen and pelvic areas; in determining the spread of disease from one organ to another; and visualizing aneurysms in the abdomen. The new nurseries have already played a significant role in reducing the infant death rate and in improving the chances of premature babies growing up without lasting effects from earlier medical problems.

Creation of a new Department of Patient Relations and the employment of a full-time director has also helped to improve the quality of patient care. The primary function of this department is to respond to specific concerns patients have regarding their hospital care and to act in behalf of patients and their families in resolving problems and meeting needs.

A closed-circuit television system will soon be carrying services from the hospital chapel, other devotional programs and educational programs to patient rooms. This system will also be used in staff education programs. The equipment was purchased with funds from the estate of Miss Olivia Hall who worked for Baptist Hospital for nearly a half-century.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to make a significant contribution to patient care as well as in clinical pastoral education, counseling and enrichment events. During recent months the department has begun another satellite center; this fourth satellite is in Charlotte and is operated in cooperation with the Mecklenburg Baptist Association. In April of this year, the Counseling Center received accreditation by the American Association of Pastoral Counselors.

In recent months, the Medical Center Challenge Program completed a successful fund campaign, over-subscribing its \$18 million goal. The final project in this program will be the replacement of the original hospital building, opened in 1923, with a new Focus Building which is scheduled for completion in 1980.

N. C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING - 1978

North Carolina Baptists have the following Baptist Homes for the Aging: Resthaven, The Hayes Home and the Nursing Care Unit, The Albemarle Home, The Hamilton Home, The Yanceyville Home, and The Western North Carolina Home at Asheville. It is anticipated that this home will be completed and ready for occupancy by Feb. 7.

Our Baptist Homes for the Aging have received vital support from our more than 3400 Baptist Churches through two vital sources through the years. These sources are the Cooperative Program, which supplies about 8% of our total budget, and the special offering, which supplies 16% of our total budget. These gifts are used to supplement the care of the majority of the residents in our Baptist Homes.

The total goal of the State Mission Offering for 1979, in which we will share with our other Baptist Institutions, and with the specific causes of State Missions, is \$2,000,000.00. Our Baptist Homes will receive \$300,000.00 from this offering if the total goal is reached.

Of interest in our Homes for the Aging in projected growth and service, is a new proposed wing to the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem which will house 51 additional patients and residents and bring our total capacity in all of the Homes and Nursing Care Unit to 351 persons.

The growing edge of our national and state population is in the area of the aging. Will you join us in our prayers and in our plans for those aging persons who look to us for help?

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Alvin Jackson, Representative

THERMAL BELT YOUTH SHELTER REPORT - 1978

Polk Association should feel proud to have had a part in making this home a reality in the spring of 1975. Since that time the shelter has been able to minister to many youth who need our help and our prayers. It is imperative that we continue to support this home with our gifts and our prayers. All of our churches are asked to have a Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Special Offering Day. If you have not had a special offering day for the youth, please pray about this matter and act as God leads you.

How many of you have visited this home? It would be most enlightning to you if you will take the time and visit this home.

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

1978 - 79

NOVEMBER - STATE CONVENTION MONTH

- 5 - 11 Royal Ambassador Week
- 6 Pastor's Conference - 7:30 P. M.
- 6 Women's Day Of Prayer - Hickory Grove - 10:00 A. M. (Covered Dish)
- 10 Pastor's Bible Conference - Gardner-Webb College (3:00 - 9 P. M.)
- 12 Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day
- 13 - 15 Baptist State Convention - Raleigh, N. C.
- 19 Children's Home Day
- 23 Thanksgiving Day
- 27 "M" Night - Assoc. Church Training Rally - Pacolet Hills 7:30 P. M.
- 28 Foreign Mission Study - Columbus - 7:30 P. M.

DECEMBER - FOREIGN MISSIONS MONTH

- 3 - 10 Week Of Prayer For Foreign Missions (Lottie Moon)
- 12 Pastor's And Wives Christmas Fellowship - Pacolet Fish Camp (7:00 P. M.)
- 24 Student Day At Christmas
- 25 Christmas Day

JANUARY - BIBLE STUDY MONTH

- 1 New Year's Day
- 8 Pastor's Conference
- 8 - 12 Bible Study Week (Mark)
- 14 Soul-Winning Commitment Day
- 28 Baptist Men's Day
- 16 Baptist Women's Rally (Pacolet Hills - 7:00 P. M. (Covered Dish)

FEBRUARY - W. M. U. MONTH

- 4 Baptist World Alliance Sunday
- 4 Executive Committee Meeting (Midway Baptist Church - 2:30 P.M.)
- 5 - 6 Evangelism Conference - Cumberland County Auditorium Fayetteville
- 12 Pastor's Conference
- 11 - 17 W. M. U. Focus Week
- 17 Acteen - Father Daughter Banquet - 6:30 P. M.
- 18 Baptist Seminaries, Colleges, & Schools Day
- 20 Home Mission Study (W. M. U.) At Beulah 7:00 - 9:00 P. M.
- 23 - 25 Baptist Men's Retreat Caraway

MARCH - HOME MISSIONS MONTH

- 4 - 11 Week Of Prayer For Home Missions
- 5 - 7 Rural Church Evangelism - Caraway
- 12 Pastor's Conference
- 8 - 9 V. B. S. Clinic Ridgecrest
- 20 - 21 Pastor's Conference - Gardner-Webb
- 27 V. B. S. Clinic Faith - 7 - 9 P. M.

APRIL - BOLD MISSIONS PRAYER RETREAT

- 2 Pastor's Conference
- 10 W. M. U. Prayer Retreat - Morgan Chapel - 7:30 P. M.
- 15 Easter
- 22 Life Commitment Day
- 29 Cooperative Program Day

MAY - FAMILY MISSION ACTION TRAINING

- 6 Executive Committee Meeting - Midway 2:30 P. M.
- 7 Pastor's Conference
- 6 - 13 Christian Home Week
- 13 Mother's Day
- 15 Spring W. M. U. Meeting Silver Creek - 7:30 P. M.
- 21 - 27 Week Of Prayer For Associational Missions

JUNE - V. B. S. MONTH

- 4 Pastor's Conference
- 10 - 11 W. M. U. Annual Meeting - Houston, Texas
- 12 - 14 Southern Baptist Convention - Houston, Texas
- 17 Father's Day

JULY - CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

- 4 Independence Day
- 9 Pastor's Conference
- 24 - 28 National Acteens Conference - Kansas City, Missouri

AUGUST - YOUTH MONTH

- 4 - 10 W. M. U. Conference - Ridgecrest
- 5 Executive Meeting - Midway Baptist Church 2:30 P. M.
- 6 Pastor's Conference
- 14 W. M. U. Fellowship Covered Dish - Cooper's Gap - 7 P. M.
- 17 State Youth Evangelism
- 19-26 Church Music Week
- 26 On To College Day
- 31 - Sept. 1 — Assoc. W. M. U. Workshop (Ridgecrest)

SEPTEMBER - MISSIONS MANIA

- 3 Labor Day
- 2 - 8 Brotherhood Week
- 10 Pastor's Conference
- 11 Associational Sunday School Leadership Night
- 18 W. M. U. Leadership Training - Sandy Springs - 7 - 9 P. M.
- 30 - Oct. 7 — Sunday School Preparation Week

OCTOBER - ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS MONTH

- 2 Pastor's Conference
- 25 Associational Annual Meeting - Hickory Grove Baptist Church

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT 1978

Baptists of North Carolina support and operate, through elected trustees, six colleges and one university: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate, and Wake Forest University. The histories of these colleges and the Baptist State Convention have intersected and intertwined since 1834. While not all of the colleges were begun by the Convention per se, all were begun by Baptists, with strong convictions about the need for Christian higher education. The seven colleges have been in operation for a total of 729 years. Currently, faculty and staff number 1,441. During the 1977-78 academic year, the full-time enrollment of the colleges was 13,000. The total enrollment, including summer school and special students, was more than 19,000.

Baptist colleges serve Christ and Baptist people best when they are truest to their primary mission, Christian education. Christian education is education under Christian auspices for Christian ends. Christian education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. A Christian college is a college founded and maintained and conducted by Christian people in the service of the Kingdom of God.

Because Christians affirm the doctrine of creation, there is no subject of investigation which is inappropriate for Christian education., from Art to Zoology. The telescope becomes the tool of the kingdom for those who believe that "The heavens declare the glory of God." The historian's pen and the biologist's microscope are welcome allies to those whose quest is "That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth."

Churches are urged to encourage their youth to attend a Baptist college. Most of the students attending a North Carolina Baptist college receive some form of financial assistance. Each of the colleges pledges to assist needy students with financial aid. Students who need to apply for financial aid should make application to college early in the senior year of high school. Grants, loans, and work scholarships are available for those who need them.

North Carolina Baptist colleges continue to be grateful for generous financial support through the COOPERATIVE PROGRAM. The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services of faculty, students, and other campus resources to make the Bold Missions emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

This past year the North Carolina Christian Action League has been involved with the problem of hard core pornography, massage parlors and beer and wine sales. An anti-obscenity and pornography ordinance has been drafted by our attorney, Mr. Allen Bailey, in cooperation with lawyers from Citizens For Decency Through Law. This ordinance covers hard core pornography as it has been defined by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has also ruled that such matters are not covered by the First Amendment guarantees. The ordinance has been adopted in several North Carolina Cities and Counties and is under serious consideration in other places in the State. Since this ordinance covers only a City, Town, or County where it is adopted, we are seeking the passage of a state-wide ordinance that would regulate the material that comes under the purview of the Supreme Court ruling. We recommend that you contact the candidates for the General Assembly in your District and ask for their support for a stronger obscenity regulating statute. It is essential that all candidates make their position clear on issues affecting public morality. Christian men and women are running for office. We must let them know that the people of North Carolina want something better. Our legislators can give us a better law. They must do it. They will respond to our effort. Let's let them know.

We regret to report that in spite of strong opposition by state and local Christian Action League leaders, Miller Brewing Company has purchased 1,600 acres and is in the process of building a \$130,000,000.00 brewery in Eden, N. C. The company has promised to put the name "Eden" on every can and bottle produced at the plant. Just think of "beer from "Eden". In line with retail sales in the state which will increase the number of permits from the present 29,899. Is this an example of the need for more united action against the evils of alcohol?

We are grateful for the victories that have been won. Some failures are acknowledged because people have been deceived by the so-called fantastic profits from the sale of beverage alcohol and have voted for legalizing it.

The Christian Action League is your voice on the state-wide level. We speak for you as we seek to deliver God's message of condemnation on the beverage alcohol industry. We are grateful for your support and we need your continuing support. The work of the League can be put on a firm foundation by budget support from the churches across the state. You are urged to support the League in this way and with your prayers for God's guidance in the work we seek to do. It is God's work that we are doing. We work for Him as we speak for you.

Again we thank you for your cooperation and support and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

Christian Action League of North Carolina

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT 1978

Think about it for a minute. What if there were no BIBLICAL RECORDER? What means of communication would keep our Baptist people together in the state? What if we had to depend entirely on the secular news media?

These are questions that should not be taken lightly. Thanks to the wisdom and foresight of Baptist leaders back in 1833, the BIBLICAL RECORDER has been on the scene for 145 years serving North Carolina Baptists.

One of the most important jobs of the BIBLICAL RECORDER is to keep members of Baptist Churches informed about what's going on in our denomination, not only here in North Carolina but around the world. When people know, they respond more quickly and in a more cooperative and generous manner.

In that connection, there's one more question: Does the RECORDER pay? Recently the RECORDER published a list of 50 churches which had the best per-capita giving to the Cooperative Program. Forty nine of the 50 had a good RECORDER club, many of them sending the RECORDER to every resident family. The BIBLICAL RECORDER had a part in helping these congregations see the importance of supporting Baptist causes.

More than 1,100 churches provide their families with the RECORDER through the church budget at a cost of only 6¢ a week. Everyone benefits when the RECORDER goes into every home.

The price of the RECORDER remains reasonable, despite tremendous increases in postage, paper and printing. If your church plans to put the RECORDER in the budget, it should do so this year and thus save money because a price increase is likely.

With the dripping wet news media in North Carolina, our Baptist people must depend on the RECORDER for information about such matters as liquor-by-the-drink. This is only one reason for every church to have a good RECORDER club or put it in the budget.

Woodrow W. Hill, assistant editor and field representative for the past seven years, reached retirement age this past year but has agreed to continue to help the RECORDER in associations and churches. He is loved by people all over the state and we are glad that he will continue to be identified with the RECORDER when needed for special assignments.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

There's never been a time when there has been more religious writings on the market than today. They represent every religion and cult in the world, and many people are buying some, and are trying to find "peace of mind."

The most important literature any of us can read is THE WORD OF GOD - THE BIBLE. Religious literature should be a part of the things provided for our

families to read. The Christian Literature Committee has always encouraged the churches to include the BIBLICAL RECORDER in the yearly budget. So far only seven churches at the present time see that the RECORDER goes to each family. We still pray that other churches will do this. Will you make this a matter of prayer?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Delia Byrd, Representative

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Church Training is a very integral part of our church program. None of us ever get too old to be trained or to learn. Polk Association still has a number of churches who still do not have Church Training. It is such a shame that more churches do not take advantage of this opportunity to train for greater service in His kingdom.

I am happy to report that one or two churches have requested materials for the Bible Drills and Speaker's Tournament. Any church interested in this can secure the information at the Associational Office. My church is excited over the new literature and we are enjoying using it.

We are planning a very exciting "M" night on November 27.

Here's hoping to see all of the churches represented at this meeting. Let's all participate in training Polk Association to be the greatest in His service.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. William Painter, Director

AUDIO VISUAL AIDS AND LIBRARY REPORT - 1978

Educators agree that we learn more through sight than listening. There are many wonderful films and filmstrips that are available for the use by our churches through the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh. The new catalogue is in the Associational office and is available to all. Also, there are some filmstrips in the office.

Space will not allow many books in the office at present. However, I will help secure any books needed.

Mrs. Millie Simpson, Library Chm.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches: The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V - ORGANIZATION

SECTION I. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nominating committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI - COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of \$1.50 each.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

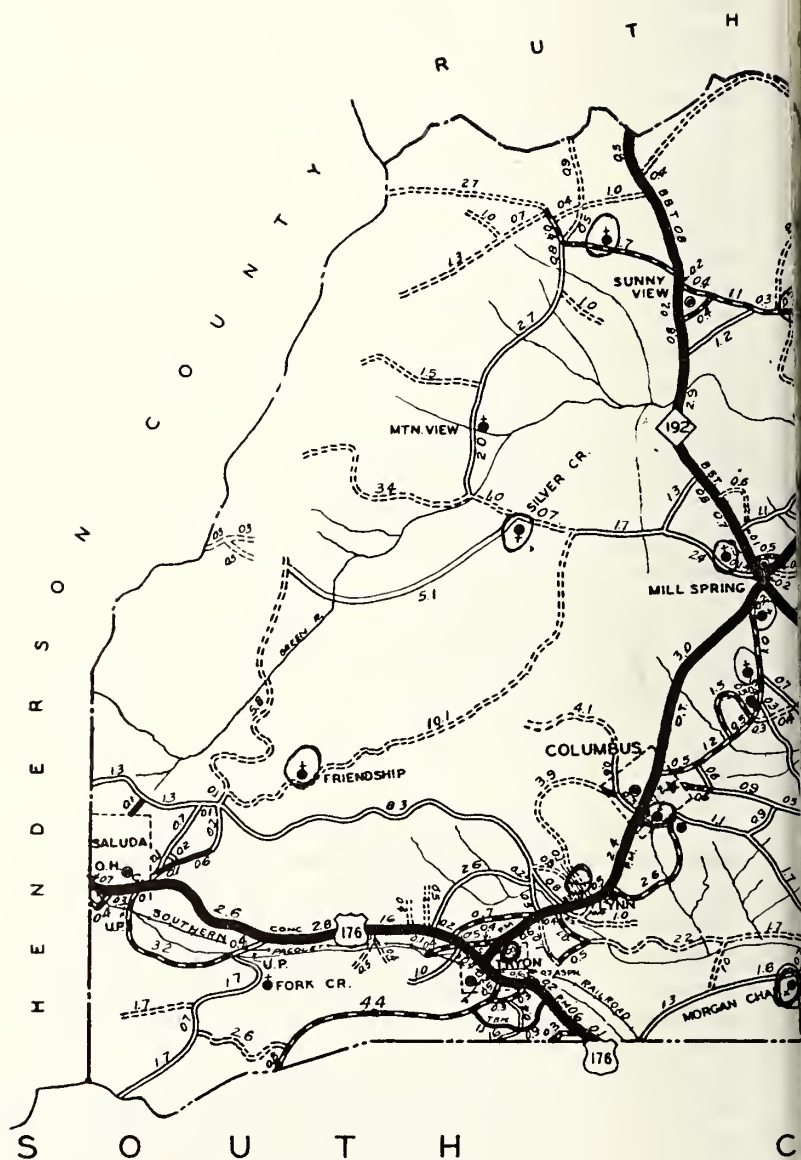
SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.





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3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs of the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntarily, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

Article VII

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

Section XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Superintendent of Missions:

PART I. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the missions committee. The Superintendent shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio:
100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, More than 150 - 20 copies.

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

The key word for North Carolina State Missions is **BOLD MISSIONS**. The 1977 Baptist State Convention voted to combine all state convention special offerings into one North Carolina Missions Offering. The 1978 goal was \$1,200,000. However, the latest reports from our convention offices indicate that the churches fell short. The Baptist Biblical Recorder made a plea for the state offering. Now in 1979 the goal will be \$2,000,000.00. In 1979 the convention will support only three offerings: Lottie Moon, Annie Armstrong, and North Carolina Missions. Of course, every church will be still free to support any object of state missions. The convention is just supporting one state offering.

Polk Association fell way below their goals for the past two years. We urge Polk Baptist to support these three efforts of our state convention with prayers and offerings in every church.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT - 1978

The Cooperative Program is as essential to our denomination as the budget is to the local church. It supports all mission causes at home and abroad. It preaches the gospel, heals in the name of Christ through hospitals and clinics, teaches and trains Christian leaders for all the tasks that need to be done.

A strong Biblical stewardship program will lead people to grow in the grace of giving so that the needs of people may be met through the local church program, the Associational Program, and the Cooperative Program.

I am happy when I see people and churches growing in their giving. Because I know that many of the needs of people around the world are being met through our local churches and the Cooperative Program.

It is my prayer that we may grow in giving through our individual stewardship and the stewardship program of our church.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

DOES THE
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
WORK?



DO MICE LIKE CHEESE?

THINK ABOUT IT
A MINUTE



The COOPERATIVE
PROGRAM makes
world missions
possible...and
my church makes
the COOPERATIVE
PROGRAM possible.



RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES 1977-78

| <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>REGULAR</u> | <u>LAND</u> | <u>HOUSE REPAIRS</u> | <u>MINUTES</u> |
|---|-----------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Beulah | \$1,210.50 | \$500.00 | | \$30.00 |
| Big Level | 700.00 | | \$232.20 | |
| Byars | 252.00 | | 20.02 | |
| Columbus | 1,100.08 | 95.95 | | |
| Cooper's Gap | 1,013.38 | | 200.00 | |
| Faith | 725.00 | 360.00 | | |
| Faith Temple | 50.00 | | | |
| Green River | 400.00 | 311.00 | | |
| Hickory Grove | 2,061.06 | 525.60 | | |
| Midway | 365.00 | | 50.00 | |
| Mill Spring | 256.00 | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | 325.00 | | | |
| Pacolet | 94.11 | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | 200.00 | 226.80 | | |
| Pea Ridge | 400.00 | 349.00 | | |
| Peniel | 240.00 | | | |
| Sandy Springs | 779.00 | 550.00 | | |
| Silver Creek | 1,008.00 | | | |
| Tryon Second | 300.00 | | | |
| Warrior Mtn. | 288.30 | | | |
| Totals | \$11,767.43 | \$2,918.35 | \$502.22 | \$34.00 |
| Unbudgeted Items For 1977-78 | | | | |
| Bal. Beg. Oct. 1, 1977 | | | | \$96.65 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Churches | \$2,922.35 | | | |
| Rent | 200.00 | | | |
| Total Receipts | | | | <u>3,122.35</u> |
| To Be Accounted For: | | | | \$3,219.00 |
| Less Expenses | | | | |
| Bal. Ending Sept. 30, 1978 | | | | <u>3,154.85</u> |
| Expenses: | | | | 64.15 |
| Payment | \$2,050.00 | | | |
| Interest | <u>1,104.85</u> | | | |
| Total | \$3,154.85 | | | |
| We were supposed to have paid \$5,000.00 | | | | |
| Camp Development | | | | |
| Bal. Beg. Oct. 1, 1977 | | | | \$531.11 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| R. E. A. | | | | <u>16.60</u> |
| To Be Account For: | | | | \$547.71 |
| Less Expenses | | | | <u>135.62</u> |
| Bal. Ending Sept. 30, 1978 | | | | 412.09 |
| R. E. A. \$135.62 | | | | |
| We owe \$16,450.00 plus interest on Campground Land | | | | |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1977-78

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|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Beginning Balance October 1, 1977 | | 645.94 |
| Budgeted Items | | |
| Churches | 11,767.43 | |
| Minutes | 44.00 | |
| House Repairs | 502.22 | |
| Total Churches | | 12,313.65 |
| Other: | | |
| State Convention | 1,755.00 | |
| Supplies Sold | 110.74 | |
| N. C. Tax Refund | 5.71 | |
| Telephone Refund | 23.92 | |
| Alvin Jackson (El. Stove) | 40.00 | |
| Roy Cable (Duke Power) | 126.82 | |
| Deaverview Ch. (Annuity) | 181.40 | |
| Bobby J. Stott (House) | 20,000.00 | |
| Total Other Receipts | | 22,243.59 |
| Total Receipts | | <u>34,557.24</u> |
| To Be Accounted For: | | 35,203.18 |
| Less Expenses | | <u>19,383.90</u> |
| Bal. Ending September 30, 1978 | | 15,819.28 |

Expenses Itemized For 1977-78

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Budgeted | |
| Roy Cable | 5,154.52 |
| Roy Cable (Gift) | 225.00 |
| M. R. Simpson | 550.00 |
| Secretary | 330.00 |
| Utilities | 220.00 |
| Telephone | 360.78 |
| Petty Cash | 50.00 |
| Supplies | 237.00 |
| IBM | 74.44 |
| Books | 27.70 |
| Mail Permit | 40.00 |
| Postage | 3.19 |
| Duke Power | 128.59 |
| Gray & Creech | 54.72 |
| Annuity | 308.97 |
| V. B. S. | 68.38 |
| W. M. U. | 144.50 |
| Conf. Expense (Ridge.) | 20.00 |
| Insurance | 266.00 |
| Speaker-Christmas | 75.00 |
| Mission Store Ex. | 19.35 |
| N. C. N. B. | 9,317.13 |
| House Repairs | 1,674.29 |
| Assoc. House | <u>34.40</u> |
| Total Expenses | 19,383.90 |

HISTORY OF BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Beulah Baptist Church was founded in 1889. Since all written records of the church before 1901 have been destroyed or misplaced, we do not know how many charter members there were, nor do we know any of their names.

Rev. Elbert Jackson, the first recorded pastor to serve the church, was elected December 7, 1901. Since that time, fifteen pastors have served the church. The present pastor, Rev. Dillard Davidson, has been at the church since October 25, 1959.

In May of 1940, Beulah Baptist Church voted to have their first homecoming, and each year homecoming is observed the first Sunday in May.

Beulah Church building, before the present one, was once a one room structure. As the years passed, two additions were added. Then on August 29, 1976, the church voted to build a new sanctuary near the old building.

September 19, 1976 was a special day for the church, because at twelve o'clock noon on that date the first shovel of dirt was turned in ground breaking ceremonies for the new church building. Rev. Zeb D. Baker, former Superintendent of Missions of the Polk Association, brought the message that day.

The members eagerly watched the construction of the new building. Then on June 26, 1977 the first service was held in the new church building. A church bell that was bought in 1931, and used in the old building, is now in use in the steeple of the new church.

The desire of Beulah Baptist Church is "to see the salvation of the lost and the edifying of the Saints in a fellowship of unity. Please pray for us that we may go forward in our Christian work for the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

This has been an unusual year for the Missions Committee, not only unusual but a very challenging year.

We had to relocate our Mission Outlet Store, because of the roof leaking and the heating system not working properly. After moving to a new location the store lost in sales, resulting in the store having to close.

After this discouraging event, we were faced with the task of seeking a new Director of Missions, due to Brother Cable resigning to accept a church in Asheville, N. C. The Committee met several times, considered names, and made this an object of prayer. After much prayer and discussion the Committee felt God leading us to Brother Simpson. The entire Committee was in one accord,

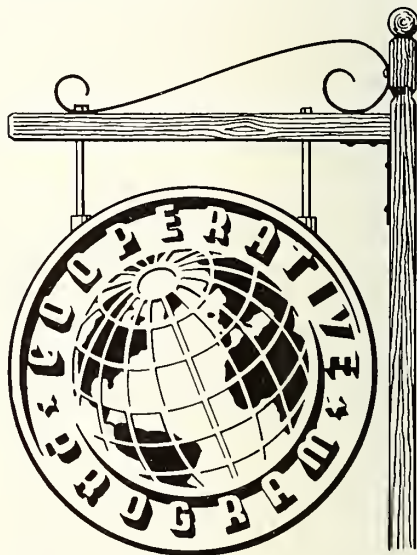
and felt this was the man God would have us to talk with. We met and talked, and met again with Brother Simpson, and he too, felt God leading in this direction. So the Committee issued the call and Brother Simpson accepted.

We are grateful to have Brother Simpson as our new Director of Missions. The Missions Committee has worked hard and faithfully this year. May I as Chairman say "Thank you" to everyone? May God richly bless in the challenge ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. T. W. Searcy, Chairman

**The sign of a
mission minded church!**



HISTORICAL EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE YEAR 1978

BEULAH - Had baptistry dedication

BIG LEVEL - New pews in choir

BYARS - Painted church and fellowship hall - built a choir in church

COLUMBUS - Called a new pastor. Air-conditioned pastorium

Ordered church van.

FAITH - Put floor covering on floors in basement

Painting for baptistry

- FAITH TEMPLE - Purchased additional land adjacent to church
approximately 4 acres.
- GREEN RIVER - Painted Church - finished kitchen cabinets
Carpeted Educational Building
- MORGAN CHAPEL - Pastor observed 50th Anniversary as ordained minister
with a representative from all churches he has pastored
Followed by a luncheon in fellowship hall.
- PEA RIDGE - Paid off debt of church parsonage
- PENIEL - Installed furnace and central air conditioner
in church Fellowship Building. Installed new baptistry painting
Prepared new Church Directory
- SANDY SPRINGS - Started children's worship service
Organized a children's choir
Built new library and nursery rooms
- WARRIOR MTN. - New P. A. System in church
Working on new windows and insulation for sanctuary

IN MEMORIAM

Our Heavenly Father has seen it wise to call some of our dear ones home to be with Him. Our loss is Heaven's gain. On this page we will list the names with their churches as they appear on the church letter. "The Lord giveth: the Lord taketh: Blessed be the name of the Lord."

BEULAH: Mr. Lee Pittman

COLUMBUS: Mrs. Margie Hudgins. Mr. Virgil Case. Mr. Russell Newman

COOPERS GAP: Mrs. Bonnie McGuinn. Miss Lula Mills. and Mr. Spurgeon Bradley

FAITH: Mrs. Harry Padgett

GREEN RIVER: Mr. Gus Miller. Mr. Osborne Miller. Mr. George Davidson. Mr. Mark Davis

HICKORY GROVE: Mrs. Nora Hutcherson

MIDWAY: Mr. L. R. Kuykendoll. Mr. Mike West

MILL SPRING: Mr. Edward M. Bell. Mr. Claude Green. Mr. George Walker. Mr. Edgar Walker

MORGAN CHAPEL: Mrs. Lele Jackson. Mr. Hinton Thompson. Mr. Landrum Flynn (Deacon)

PENIEL: Mrs. Mae Champion

PEA RIDGE: Mrs. Mary Price

SANDY SPRINGS: Mrs. Millie Rowe

SILVER CREEK: Mr. J. H. Williams. Mr. Homer Thompson

WARRIOR MTN.: Mrs. Sarah Anderson (Church Pianist)

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY EXECUTIVE MEETING FOR FEBRUARY 5, 1978

The quarterly Executive Meeting of the Polk Baptist Association was held at the Midway Baptist Church February 5, with 37 in attendance and 14 churches represented: Beulah, Big Level, Byars, Coopers Gap, Faith, Green River, Hickory Grove, Midway, Pacolet Hills, Pea Ridge, Peniel, Sandy Springs, Silver Creek, and Warrior Mountain.

The meeting began with congregational singing led by Mr. Speck Owens **STANDING ON THE PROMISES** and Leroy McGraw moderating. Rev. Roy Cable, our Director of Missions, gave the welcome and devotion, reading from Revelation 20.

In the absence of Mrs. Jean Painter, Associational Clerk, Mrs. Reva Cable was asked to be acting Clerk. The Minutes of the last meeting were not read, as the last meeting was the associational meeting at the Coopers Gap Church, the Minutes of the Associational Meeting being printed in the **ANNUAL MINUTES**.

Rev. T. W. Searcy gave a Missions Report, emphasizing the importance of each church to the work of the association. Rev. Searcy brought out that as our Director of Missions, Mr. Cable had been in every church and served in some specific way during the previous months. Also, all of January was filled with studies in Exodus.

Rev. Ron Gilbert gave a Report from the Evangelism Committee. Two events were greatly emphasized: (1) The Simultaneous Revival Meetings within our association for April 23-29. Every church was encouraged to participate. We need simultaneous effort to benefit all our churches in fellowship at one time, and to give a strong witness for Jesus in Polk County. Saturday Night, April 22, Kickoff Rally; April 23-29, Revival Week; April 26, Sharing Supper, all churches sharing in what God is doing in their midst. (2) The Evangelism Conference at Greensboro. Rev. Cable was presented with a generous love offering by Rev. Gilbert for his expenses to the Evangelism Conference. This offering was a love offering taken by individual churches and given to Rev. Gilbert for the presentation, as there was no money in the treasury for this conference.

The Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement, given by Mrs. Jack Jolley, was approved as printed. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw gave the Financial Report, emphasizing that we were needing the percentage of giving raised by all churches not giving 5% of their offering plate dollar to the association. During the winter months, money had been slower coming and some bills were yet to be paid. There was no unfinished business.

There were two items of new business: (1) a petition on Religious Freedom in Employment and (2) a letter of commendation for the Pacolet Church. Mr. Pittman from the Peniel Church spoke to the petition on Religious Freedom in Employment. A motion was made and carried that the Polk Baptist Association offer to its churches, petitions on the Religious Freedom in Employment for the **RIGHT TO WORK LAW** to be sent to government representatives. Each

church was free to receive or refuse a petition to be used by its congregation.

A motion was made and carried to send a letter of commendation to the Carolina Association for the Pacolet Church upon their leaving the Polk Association to join with the Carolina Association.

Rev. Roy Cable presented the Associational Annual Minutes and gave a chalk board presentation of the past year's work of our churches, compiling his information from the minutes which he gave out to those churches represented.

Baptism - 88 Average 4.4 per church

Sunday school attendance - 1454 each Sunday Average 72.7 per church

Church Training attendance - 366 Average 30.5 per church with T. U.

Average 18.3 per church for 20 churches

Total combined income - \$469,868.00 (almost ½ million dollars)

Total combined mission expenditures - \$54,295.00 equals 11% of total income

Total associational missions \$11,954.00 (includes land, house, program)
equals 2.5% of total income

Total Cooperative Program - \$21,114.00 (2/3 to N. C., 1/3 to SBC)

There are 12,500 people in Polk County. Only 8.5% of Polk County residents were in our churches on an average Sunday last year. If the other churches, including all denominations, were to reach 8.5%, which they don't, we would only be reaching 17% of the total population on any Sunday in all churches combined.

Only 4 churches in Polk County had less income last year than the associational budget for its entire program of missions activities for 20 churches in Polk County.

Following the Executive Committee Meeting, the Committee of Twenty met and discussed the future of the camp ground ministry. No action was taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. B. Cable, Clerk Protem

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING

MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

A special meeting was called of the executive committee on March 12, 1978. The meeting was opened by singing a hymn, "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name" led by Mr. Speck Owens. Prayer by Rev. Dillard Davidson. Rev. T. W. Searcy brought to our attention that Rev. Alvin Jackson, pastor of Midway, would like to buy the stove loaned to him from the mission house for \$40.00. Rev. Searcy also stated that Rev. Roy Cable has given his resignation. Motion made and seconded. Voted with uplifted hands. Rev. Cable brought greetings and remarks offering his thanks to the churches of Polk County. No new business. Roll call of churches. (18 churches represented) Dismissal prayer by Rev. George Lynch.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH - MAY 7, 1978

The meeting opened with congregational singing led by Mrs. Judy Arledge, Pianist - Rev. Bill Pate. Devotional thoughts by Rev. Hodge, pastor of Pacolet Hills Baptist Church. Prayer by Rev. T. W. Searcy. Roll Call of Churches revealed 10 churches absent. Financial Report approved by motion and seconded. Voted by uplifted hands.

Mrs. T. W. Searcy announced that the WMU Spring Session would be held Monday night, May 8, at the Sandy Springs Church at 6:30 P. M. Mrs. Searcy also asked that we form a committee to head up the outlet store.

Rev. Ron Gilbert, evangelism chairman, expressed his appreciation for the good results we had during our spring revival crusade.

A petition was presented by Mr. Dean Pittman against abortion: That we send letters to our senator, congressman and president. This was in the form of a motion. Motion being that this petition as well as one introduced at a previous meeting be made available to the churches. Voted to do so by uplifted hands.

Rev. T. W. Searcy, chairman of the missions committee, brought the following report. Do we want to sell the associational house? Discussion about the condition of the house. Agreed the starting price be \$21,000 to the highest bidder.

Motion made that we give the trustees authority to sell the house to the highest bidder and that they explain to the buyer the condition of the house. Moved and seconded. Voted by uplifted hands.

What to do about the land? General discussion in selling the land.

Motion made that we turn the 15 acres, already designated to sell, over to a realtor to sell. Motion amended that the trustees have it appraised and give them authority to sell the 15 acres. Seconded and voted by uplifted hands.

Rev. Searcy gave comments concerning getting a new associational director. We feel we need to go with a retired man because we can't afford a full time man. The committee has made contacts with several men.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded.

AUGUST 6, 1978

The Executive Committee met on August 6, 1978 at the Midway Church at 2:30 p. m. The following business was transacted:

Devotional thoughts were brought by Rev. John Godfrey based on Luke 13:6-9, the parable of the fig tree, followed by prayer by Rev. Godfrey. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The financial report was given out with comments by Mrs. Jolley, treasurer. Financial report was approved by motion and seconded. Roll call of churches followed with 14 churches represented. Recognition was given to a new pastor in the association, Rev. Lee Gregory, pastor at Silver Creek. No evangelism report was given. No Sunday School report was given but Rev. Boyce Bradshaw asked to meet with all the Pastor after the executive meeting.

The Missions Committee report was given by Rev. T. W. Searcy. He reported that the associational house has been sold and also that the outlet store has been closed due to financial difficulty. Rev. Searcy asked that we buy an air conditioner for the Associational office. Motion made that the director of missions be authorized to purchase the unit. Seconded. Voted by show of hands. Motion also made and seconded that we get a lock for the Associational office door.

Rev. Searcy then introduced to the Committee our new Director of Missions and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Simpson. Rev. Simpson brought greetings and made remarks concerning the future of our association. There were various announcements of revivals and memorial services from the floor. Mr. Ted Owens brought before the group the recommendation that we sell the entire parcel of land rather than the fifteen acres agreed upon at our last meeting and the money to be put back into the association or refunded to the churches, and individuals the money that they have paid in if they want it back. Seconded. Voted 22 votes for and against. Motion carried.

There was a motion made that we give the trustees authority to sell the land for such price as they see appropriate. Seconded. Voted by show of hands. Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Dillard Davidson.

SEPTEMBER 10, 1978

A special executive committee meeting was called on September 10, 1978 at the Faith Baptist Church. The following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Leroy McCraw. Rev. Fred

Rhodes, new pastor of the Columbus Church was introduced. He brought greetings to the association and led in prayer.

Roll call by churches revealed that 14 churches were represented. The minutes of the last meeting was read by the clerk and approved as read.

The following votes were registered from the churches concerning selling the land - 11 yes, 4 no, and 4 not reported.

Motion made that we abide by the action of the last executive meeting and the wishes of the churches. Amendment that we put a minimum price on it per acre. Price agreed upon was \$675 per acre. Motion carried 17 - 0.

Motion made that the land be sold to a church family - seconded. Motion carried. Revival Announcements made from the floor. Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Dismissal prayer by Rev. T. W. Searcy.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

My ministry with you began on July 16th, and I have enjoyed every day of service. You are a great people and I am grateful that I have had the opportunity to serve you. I have had the privilege to be in all but three of the churches, and I hope to get there soon. It is a real joy to get to know and love the people of Polk Association. I have preached twenty services, helped in an ordination service, and one homecoming. I also enjoyed speaking to the W. M. U. fall session.

When I became your missionary I wanted to learn how to serve you in a better manner. My wife and I attended the Conference for the Association Missionaries at Wingate. I attended the Conference at Mars Hill. We went to Home Mission Week at Ridgecrest and also to the Director of Missions Conference at Camp Caraway. I have received many helpful suggestions and great inspiration from these meetings. I have traveled over seven thousand miles in my work.

My first priority is to make Polk Association one of the finest in the state. This can only be achieved if we continue to work together for his glory. It was wonderful to study your church letters and discover that ALL had a part in this associational year. I do appreciate your wonderful spirit of cooperation.

My prayer is that we will grow together. We can do this through study. My "pet project" for the immediate future is an area seminary extension class or classes. We have the potential in our group for the teaching and many of you have shown interest in learning.

May God bless and guide our efforts in 1979.

In His service, M. R. Simpson

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1978-79

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION | | \$200.00 |
| Sunday School | | 200.00 |
| Church Training | | 200.00 |
| W. M. U. | | 250.00 |
| V. B. S. | | 200.00 |
| Brotherhood | | 200.00 |
| Music | | 150.00 |
| Associational Speakers | | 200.00 |
| Associational Minutes | | 500.00 |
| Evangelism | | 200.00 |
| | \$2,300.00 | <hr/> |
| | | \$2,300.00 |
| 2. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE | | |
| Office Up-Keep (Pacolet Hills) | | 240.00 |
| Printing and Supplies | | 300.00 |
| Telephone | | 300.00 |
| Petty Cash, Postage, Etc. | | 500.00 |
| | \$1,340.00 | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,340.00 |
| 3. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES | | |
| Salary | | \$3,640.00 |
| Secretary | | 1,560.00 |
| Utilities and Housing | | 1,500.00 |
| | \$6,700.00 | <hr/> |
| | | \$6,700.00 |
| 4. OTHER EXPENSES | | |
| Southern, State, Evangelistic Con. | | 500.00 |
| Annuity | | 400.00 |
| Christmas Gift | | 125.00 |
| | \$1,025.00 | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,025.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL BUDGET | \$11,365.00 | |

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Mrs. Jack Jolley, Rev. M. R. Simpson,
Rev. & Mrs. T. W. Searcy, Mr. Leroy McCraw,
Mrs. Charlene Pate

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

(A) Resolved that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association, commend the Beulah Church for her kindness and Christian spirit in hosting the 9th Annual Meeting of the Polk Baptist Association.

(B) Resolve that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association, commend the sister churches who gave us such a delicious meal.

(C) Resolved that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association, commend the Pacolet Hills Church for opening its doors to the Association for an office. We appreciate this act of kindness.

(D) Resolved that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association, commend the faithful work of the Missions Committee, led by Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Searcy, along with the Clerk, Mrs. William Painter, and the Treasurer, Mrs. Jack Jolley. Our Association is deeply grateful for their untiring efforts in keeping our Association intact during the months without a director.

(E) Resolved that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association express our love and appreciation to our first moderator, Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr., who is retiring this year. Our love and best wishes go with him and his family.

(F) Resolved that we, the member churches of the Polk Baptist Association commend Mr. Leroy McCraw for his faithful service as moderator of the Polk Baptist Association. May God bless each one.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Larry Stott,

Chairman of the Resolutions Committee

CHURCH MUSIC REPORT POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Music is very vital to our Christian life, both as an individual Christian and as a part of the Church of the Living Christ.

In the Old Testament we find many references to music, whether it be singing or the playing of instruments: for example, note these blessed words from Psalm 81:1-3:

1. "Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2. "Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3. "Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day."

There are also many references to music in the New Testament. Please note the following two particular references:

I Corinthians 14:15: "I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."

Hebrews 2:12 "Saying I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto Thee."

We are commanded to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord." It does not say if you have a trained voice to sing; it says to make a joyful noise, and if that joyful noise is made to bring honor and glory to the Lord, then we are meeting the requirements set forth.

Let me share with you the four basic goals of our Associational Music Ministry in the Polk Baptist Association:

1. To encourage the churches in our Association to share leadership, music groups and musical resources with other churches for the benefit of all churches in the Polk Baptist Association;

2. To strengthen music in the congregational services in all the churches in the Polk Baptist Association;

3. To provide leadership training for all music leaders and interested members for the purpose of strengthening the total music ministry in the local church; and

4. To seek to meet the musical needs of ALL the churches in the Polk Baptist Association.

If there is any way that I, as your Associational Music Director, can help you in your church music program, please feel free to call upon me.

The instruction of the Holy Spirit in Colossians 3:16 gives clear direction for the Music Ministry of the churches of our Association: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord".

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene M. Pate,
Associational Music Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT - 1977 - 78

We are encouraged this year by the reports of new WMU organizations begun in some of our churches. But also discouraged of reports of Baptist Women, in several churches, no longer meeting. Our WMU year ended with only a Merit Achievement. This points us to new goals, as the new year dawns before us. We see new leaders . . . new challenges before us. Cooperating together we can reach new heights for God, through His leadership and our willingness to serve. Early Christians, in small fellowships, scattered about, felt the need for unity. We, as WMU officers and leaders, are as effective as we should be; if and when we seek God's guidance. We must learn to seek to minister to the needs of persons, their total needs. This is where Mission Action becomes a reality. Bold Mission will not . . . just happen. Knowledge, understanding, attitudes - skills will need to be strengthened or developed. Our theme for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions is: "Tell It Out With Gladness" . . . December 3 - 10. The Lottie Moon Goal is \$40,000,000. The Week of Prayer for Home Missions theme is "Dare To Ask", with the Annie Armstrong goal of \$15,000,000. We can only be Mission - Minded when we are willing to learn of needs around the world. We must be on "BOLD MISSIONS" in Polk Association so we can witness for Him to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8 . . . BOLD TEACHING . . . BOLD WITNESSING . . . BOLD COMMITMENT . . . LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. T. W. Searcy
WMU Director

STATISTICAL TABLES

| TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL | | YEAR ENDING | | 0-10 | | 1978 | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|-----|---|-----|---|-----|
| Association | | POLK | | (Month & Day) | | | |
| State | | NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | |
| Associational Sunday School Director | | REV. ROYCE BRADSHAW | | | | | |
| Address | | City | | State | | Zip | |
| ROUTE 4 RUTHERFORDTON | | N.C. | | 28139 | | | |
| CHURCHES | | SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | Birth to 2 years | | Preschool enrollment (Birth through 5 years) | |
| | | | | Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12) | | Young Adult enrollment-Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years) | |
| | | | | Adult enrollment (30 and over) | | Senior Adult enrollment (50 and over) | |
| | | | | Adults away enrollment | | Homebound enrollment | |
| | | | | General officers enrollment | | Enrollment of missions(s) of church | |
| | | | | Total ongoing Sunday School enrollment | | Average weekly Sunday School attendance | |
| | | | | Number of Bible Study groups | | Bible Study groups enrollment | |
| | | | | Weekday Bible Study enrollment | | Church Y B S enrollment | |
| | | | | Mission Y B S enrollment | | Total Y B S enrollment | |
| Geulah | Hugh Champion Route 1 Tryon 28782 | 0 | 13 | 15 | 12 | 7 | 22 |
| Big Level | John Hays Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 14 | 0 | 12 |
| Sears | Roy Price Route 1 Mill Spring 28656 | 1 | 15 | 20 | 8 | 13 | 3 |
| Columbus | Charlie Feagan Columbus 28722 | 0 | 20 | 22 | 22 | 6 | 18 |
| Coopers Gap | Glenn Gurgess Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 14 | 18 | 31 | 32 | 12 | 34 |
| Faith | Billy McCall Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 6 | 17 |
| Faith Temple | Arnold Odum Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 15 | 4 | 7 |
| Green River | Buford Harris Route 1 Chesnee,S.C. 29323 | 0 | 8 | 22 | 24 | 0 | 20 |
| Hickory Grove | Earl Steadman Route 1 Landrum,S.C. 29356 | 15 | 6 | 28 | 29 | 10 | 15 |
| Midway | E.S.Burnette,Jr. Route 1 Box 189 Columbus 28722 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 8 |
| Mill Spring | Claudie Pack Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 0 | 16 |
| Morgan Chapel | Roy Laughter Route 3 Campobello 29322 | 5 | 4 | 13 | 3 | 3 | 17 |
| Pacolet Hills | Hugh Flynn Route 1 Landrum,S.C. 29356 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 4 | 11 |
| Pea Ridge | Calvin Cockran Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 16 | 7 | 25 | 0 | 15 |
| Pinecl | Calvin Owens 108 Hickert Ave. Landrum,S.C. 29356 | 0 | 20 | 22 | 13 | 14 | 4 |
| Sandy Springs | Donald Yelton Route 2 Inman,S.C. 29349 | 0 | 11 | 17 | 20 | 8 | 6 |
| Silver Creek | Boyce L. Jackson Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 17 | 13 | 10 | 0 | 26 |
| Tryon Second | Roy Burrell Lynn 28782 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Warrior Mtn. | Donald E. Byrd Route 1 Saluda 28773 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | | 47 | 184 | 279 | 291 | 92 | 251 |

| TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING | | YEAR ENDING | | 9-10 | | 1978 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|------------|--|---------------|--|----|----|----|-----|----|----|---|-----|-----|---|---|---|
| Association | | POLK | | | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Church Training Director | | REV. WILLIAM PAINTER | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | BOX 213 - COLUMBUS | | State N.C. | | Zip 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTIONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | | Morris Ruff Route 1 Tryon 28782 | | | | 3 | | 3 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Big Level | | Bright Lynch Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | | | | 4 | | 11 | 4 | 6 | 18 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 51 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Byars | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbus | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coopers Gap | | Paul Whitesides Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | | | | 3 | | 7 | 8 | 4 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 44 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Faith | | Jerry Padgett 205 N.Lyles Ave. Landrum,S.C. 29356 | | | | 5 | | 11 | 7 | 12 | 18 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 66 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Faith Temple | | Danny Rainier Box 213 Columbus 28722 | | | | 5 | | 2 | 11 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Green River | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | | Elizabeth Burrell Route 1 Landrum,S.C. 29356 | | | | 6 | | 6 | 21 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 10 | 0 | 86 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Midway | | William Mills Route 1 Columbus 28722 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 22 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mill Spring | | Ted Pack Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | | | | 3 | | 0 | 6 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 28 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Morgan Chapel | | Bernice Holbert Route 2 Landrum,S.C. 29356 | | | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacolet Hills | | Steve Henderson Route 1 Columbus 28722 | | | | 0 | | 0 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pea Ridge | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peniel | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | | Betty Shields Route 1 Chesnee,S.C. 29323 | | | | 3 | | 7 | 17 | 15 | 21 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 66 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | | Roy Procter Star Route Saluda 28773 | | | | 5 | | 4 | 7 | 8 | 23 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 50 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tryon Second | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mtn. | | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | | | | | | 39 | | 54 | 80 | 61 | 173 | 42 | 36 | 1 | 507 | 357 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC | | | YEAR ENDING 9-30 | | 1978 | | | | | | | | | | | 1979 | |
|------------------------------|--|--|---|------|-------|-------|-------|----|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|---|------|--|
| Association | | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Music Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | | MRS. CHARLENE PATE | City | TRYON | SNYC. | 28782 | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | | | Paul Stacy Route 1 Campobello 29322 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 25 | 58 | 50 | 0 | | |
| Big Level | | | Bruce Odell Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Byars | | | Gene Wilson Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Columbus | | | Miss Cartton Prince Route 1 Chesnee, S.C. 29323 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 12 | 0 | | |
| Coopers Gap | | | R. J. Whitesides Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 15 | 10 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 48 | 30 | 0 | | |
| Faith | | | Mrs. James S. Jackson Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 20 | 12 | 0 | | |
| Faith Temple | | | Mrs. Jean Painter Box 213 Columbus 28722 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Green River | | | Kenneth Justice Box 263 Gaffney S.C. 29340 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 20 | 0 | | |
| Hickory Grove | | | Mrs. Doris Stott Route 1 Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 43 | 37 | 0 | | |
| Midway | | | Ronald Bradley Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 | | |
| Mill Spring | | | Larry Wilson Route 1 Tryon 28782 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 12 | 0 | | |
| Morgan Chapel | | | J. M. Brown Route 2 Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Pacolet Hills | | | Kevin Chitwood Route 1 Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 24 | 20 | 0 | | |
| Pea Ridge | | | Earl Taylor Route 1 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 7 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Penick | | | Mrs. Charlene Pate Route 1 Tryon 28782 | 10 | 12 | 5 | 24 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 53 | 35 | 0 | | |
| Sandy Springs | | | None | | 20 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 28 | 0 | | |
| Silver Creek | | | Lloyd H. Jackson Route 2 Mill Spring 28756 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 29 | 14 | 0 | | |
| Tryon Second | | | Mrs. Thelma Thompson Tryon 28782 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Warrior Mtn. | | | Mrs. Donald Byrd Route 1 Saluda 28773 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Totals | | | | 26 | 92 | 48 | 198 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 25 | 25 | 446 | 289 | 0 | | |

| TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION | | YEAR ENDING | | 1978 | | 1979 | | 1980 | | 1981 | | 1982 | | 1983 | | 1984 | | 1985 | | |
|--|------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------|--------------|---|--------------|---|-------------|---|--------------|----|--------------|----|-------------|----|--------------|---|---------------|
| Association | | State | | County | | City | | Zip | | City | | Zip | | City | | Zip | | City | | |
| POLK | | State | | County | | City | | Zip | | City | | Zip | | City | | Zip | | City | | |
| State | | County | | City | | Zip | | Zip | | Zip | | Zip | | Zip | | Zip | | Zip | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | COUNTY | | CITY | | ZIP | | CITY | | ZIP | | CITY | | ZIP | | CITY | | ZIP | | |
| Association: WMU Director | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | |
| Address: Mrs. ROENA SMOTHERS | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | |
| ROUTE 1 | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | |
| CHURCHES | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | |
| WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | State: N.C. | | Zip: 28645 | | City: Lenoir | | |
| Benlah | Mrs. Doris Champion | Route 1 | Tryon | 28782 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 5 | 0 | Total ongoing |
| Big Level | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Byars | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbus | Mrs. Myrtle Masternick | S. Peake St. | Columbus | 28782 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 39 |
| Coopers Gap | Mrs. Joyce Jackson | Route 2 | Mill Spring | 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 14 |
| Faith | Mrs. Ron Gilbert | Route 2 | Mill Spring | 28756 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 13 |
| Faith Temple | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Green River | Mrs. Annie Lyles | Route 4 | Rutherfordton | 28139 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| Hickory Grove | Mrs. Roena Smothers | Route 1 | Landrum | 29356 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 33 |
| Midway | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mill Spring | Mrs. Gertie McKee | Route 2 | Mill Spring | 28756 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 21 |
| Morgan Chapel | Mrs. Anna Campbell | Route 1 | Landrum | S.C. 29356 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Pacolet Hills | Mrs. Judy Smith | Route 1 | Landrum | S.C. 29356 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Pea Ridge | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pentel | Mrs. Louise Flynn | 119 | Warrior Mtn. | Road Tryon | 28782 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Sandy Springs | Mrs. Eunice Jolley | Route 1 | Chesnee | S.C. 29323 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 17 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 63 |
| Silver Creek | Mrs. Miriam Arledge | Route 2 | Mill Spring | 28756 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Tryon Second | None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mtn. | Mrs. Donald Byrd | Route 1 | Saluda | 28773 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
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| ASSOCIATIONAL Brotherhood Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HERB PADGETT | | 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | SSale | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 205 NORTH LYLES AVE. LANDRUM | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Big Level | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Byars | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbus | | None | | 12 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Coopers Gap | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Faith | | Jerry Padgett 205 North Lyles Ave. Landrum, S.C. 29356 | | 5 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Faith Temple | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Green River | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | | Larry Stott Route 1 Landrum, S.C. 29356 | | 10 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 2 |
| Midway | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mill Spring | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pea Ridge | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peniel | | None | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | | Donald Yelton Route 2 Inman, S.C. 29349 | | 5 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Silver Creek | | James Cockran Mill Spring 28756 | | | 0 | 5 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 20 |
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| Warrior Mtn. | | Gene Anderson Box 194 Saluda 28773 | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
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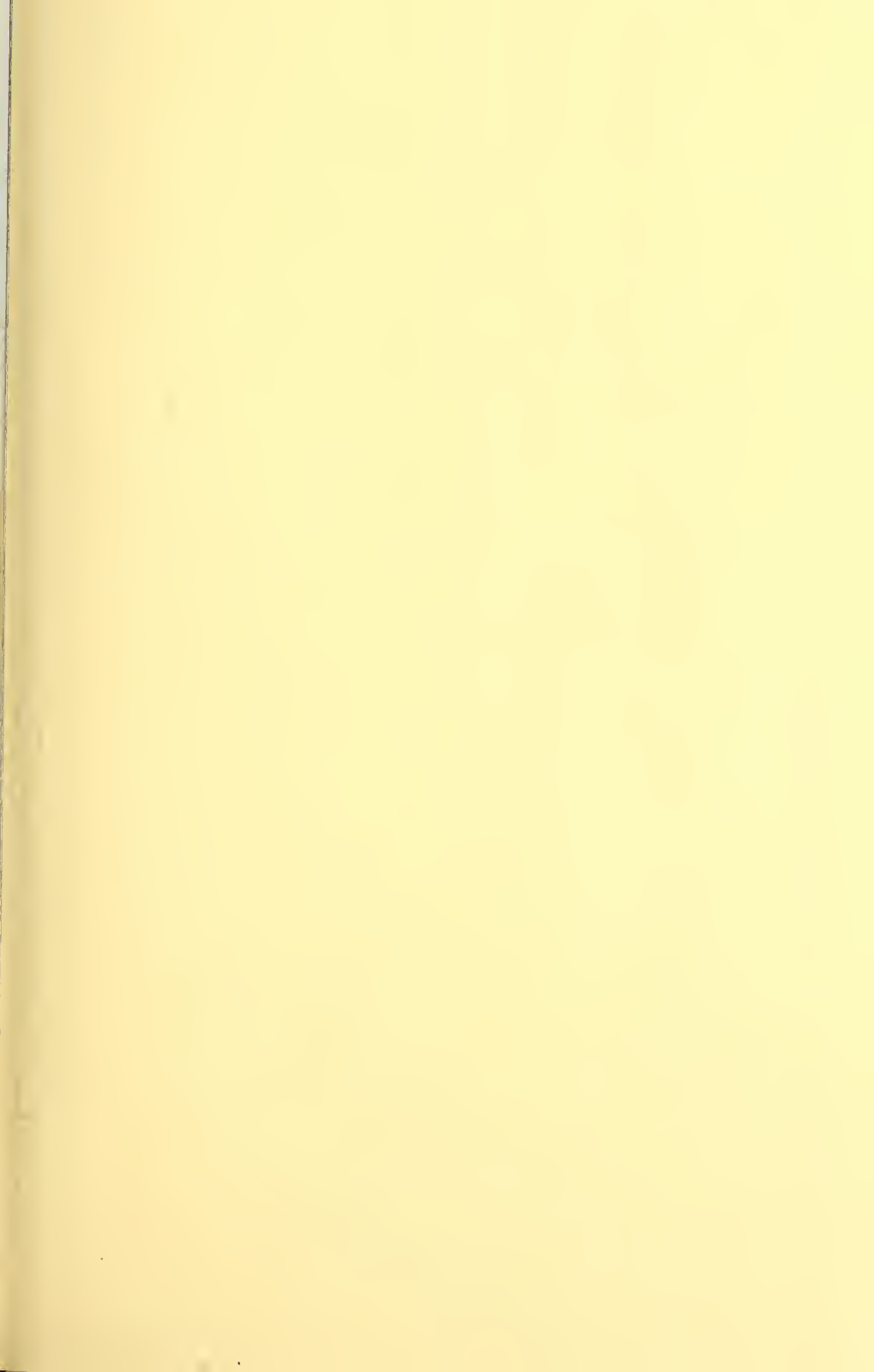
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| TABLE I. SPECIAL INFORMATION | | | YEAR ENDING | | 9-30 | | 1979 | | 1978 | | 1977 | | 1976 | | 1975 | | 1974 | | 1973 | | 1972 | | 1971 | | 1970 | | 1969 | | 1968 | | 1967 | | 1966 | | 1965 | | 1964 | | 1963 | | 1962 | | 1961 | | 1960 | | 1959 | | 1958 | | 1957 | | 1956 | | 1955 | | 1954 | | 1953 | | 1952 | | 1951 | | 1950 | | 1949 | | 1948 | | 1947 | | 1946 | | 1945 | | 1944 | | 1943 | | 1942 | | 1941 | | 1940 | | 1939 | | 1938 | | 1937 | | 1936 | | 1935 | | 1934 | | 1933 | | 1932 | | 1931 | | 1930 | | 1929 | | 1928 | | 1927 | | 1926 | | 1925 | | 1924 | | 1923 | | 1922 | | 1921 | | 1920 | | 1919 | | 1918 | | 1917 | | 1916 | | 1915 | | 1914 | | 1913 | | 1912 | | 1911 | | 1910 | | 1909 | | 1908 | | 1907 | | 1906 | | 1905 | | 1904 | | 1903 | | 1902 | | 1901 | | 1900 | | 1899 | | 1898 | | 1897 | | 1896 | | 1895 | | 1894 | | 1893 | | 1892 | | 1891 | | 1890 | | 1889 | | 1888 | | 1887 | | 1886 | | 1885 | | 1884 | | 1883 | | 1882 | | 1881 | | 1880 | | 1879 | | 1878 | | 1877 | | 1876 | | 1875 | | 1874 | | 1873 | | 1872 | | 1871 | | 1870 | | 1869 | | 1868 | | 1867 | | 1866 | | 1865 | | 1864 | | 1863 | | 1862 | | 1861 | | 1860 | | 1859 | | 1858 | | 1857 | | 1856 | | 1855 | | 1854 | | 1853 | | 1852 | | 1851 | | 1850 | | 1849 | | 1848 | | 1847 | | 1846 | | 1845 | | 1844 | | 1843 | | 1842 | | 1841 | | 1840 | | 1839 | | 1838 | | 1837 | | 1836 | | 1835 | | 1834 | | 1833 | | 1832 | | 1831 | | 1830 | | 1829 | | 1828 | | 1827 | | 1826 | | 1825 | | 1824 | | 1823 | | 1822 | | 1821 | | 1820 | | 1819 | | 1818 | | 1817 | | 1816 | | 1815 | | 1814 | | 1813 | | 1812 | | 1811 | | 1810 | | 1809 | | 1808 | | 1807 | | 1806 | | 1805 | | 1804 | | 1803 | | 1802 | | 1801 | | 1800 | | 1799 | | 1798 | | 1797 | | 1796 | | 1795 | | 1794 | | 1793 | | 1792 | | 1791 | | 1790 | | 1789 | | 1788 | | 1787 | | 1786 | | 1785 | | 1784 | | 1783 | | 1782 | | 1781 | | 1780 | | 1779 | | 1778 | | 1777 | | 1776 | | 1775 | | 1774 | | 1773 | | 1772 | | 1771 | | 1770 | | 1769 | | 1768 | | 1767 | | 1766 | | 1765 | | 1764 | | 1763 | | 1762 | | 1761 | | 1760 | | 1759 | | 1758 | | 1757 | | 1756 | | 1755 | | 1754 | | 1753 | | 1752 | | 1751 | | 1750 | | 1749 | | 1748 | | 1747 | | 1746 | | 1745 | | 1744 | | 1743 | | 1742 | | 1741 | | 1740 | | 1739 | | 1738 | | 1737 | | 1736 | | 1735 | | 1734 | | 1733 | | 1732 | | 1731 | | 1730 | | 1729 | | 1728 | | 1727 | | 1726 | | 1725 | | 1724 | | 1723 | | 1722 | | 1721 | | 1720 | | 1719 | | 1718 | | 1717 | | 1716 | | 1715 | | 1714 | | 1713 | | 1712 | | 1711 | | 1710 | | 1709 | | 1708 | | 1707 | | 1706 | | 1705 | | 1704 | | 1703 | | 1702 | | 1701 | | 1700 | | 1699 | | 1698 | | 1697 | | 1696 | | 1695 | | 1694 | | 1693 | | 1692 | | 1691 | | 1690 | | 1689 | | 1688 | | 1687 | | 1686 | | 1685 | | 1684 | | 1683 | | 1682 | | 1681 | | 1680 | | 1679 | | 1678 | | 1677 | | 1676 | | 1675 | | 1674 | | 1673 | | 1672 | | 1671 | | 1670 | | 1669 | |
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OF
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Columbus, North Carolina



Meeting with
HICKORY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 25, 1979



Rev. Ron Gilbert, Moderator
Mrs. William Painter, Clerk

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| arliamentarian | Rev. Bill Pate, Jr. |
| irector of Missions | Rev. M.R. Simpson |



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| hairman of Evangelism | Rev. Houston Moses |
| usic | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. |



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| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Homes For The Aging | Rev. Benson Hodge |
| Baptist Hospital | Rev. William Painter |
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| Christian Education | Rev. Alvin Jackson |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship - Cooperative Program | Rev. George Lynch |
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| Home and Foreign Missions | Mrs. Judy Arledge |
| Radio and T.V. | Mrs. Robert Durham |
| N.C. State General Board | Rev. John Godfrey |



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| President | Rev. John Godfrey |
| Vice-President | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Rev. Houston Moses |

PROCEEDINGS — TENTH SESSION

October 25, 1979

The Polk Baptist Association met for their tenth annual session on October 25, 1979 at the Hickory Grove Baptist Church.

Rev. Ron Gilbert, Moderator, presided.

The call to worship was the hymn, "We Are Called To Be God's People" led by Rev. Bill Pate, with his wife, Mrs. Charlene Pate, at the piano. Rev. Houston Moses, pastor of the Mill Spring Church, read the scripture and led in prayer.

The welcome was given by the host pastor, Rev. Bill Hodge.

The declaration of the tenth annual program was given by the Moderator followed by the adoption of the program motioned by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. John Godfrey. This motion was seconded and carried.

The following new pastors were introduced and brought greetings: Rev. Houston Moses - Mill Spring Church, Rev. Bill Hodge - Hickory Grove Church, Rev. Steve Hardin - Pea Ridge Church, Rev. Arthur Smith - Sandy Springs Church, and Rev. Lawrence Jackson, Interim Pastor at Morgan Chapel Church.

The following visitors were recognized by the Moderator: Rev. James McQuere from the Baptist Foundation, Mr. Hugh Starnes, Children's Home and Youth Shelter, Mrs. Ellen Payne, Baptist Home For The Aging, Rev. Richard Spencer from the Baptist Hospital and Rev. Dennis Ball from Gardner-Webb College.

The presentation of the Book of Reports was made by Rev. M.R. Simpson. He gave his report and also expressed appreciation for the good response to N.C. Missions Offering.

There was no new business to bring before the body.

The Associational Budget was presented by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He noted that there was an increase in the budget.

Rev. Bill Pate gave the Annuity Report. He reported that we have 11 churches participating in the Annuity Program. He also encouraged each church to provide coverage for their pastor.

In the absence of Mr. Jack Jolley, Rev. James McQuere spoke on the report of The Baptist Foundation. He asked us as Baptists, What are we doing with our money? With our possessions? With our estate? He encouraged us to remember the Baptist Foundation in our will.

Mr. Hugh Starnes spoke concerning the Children's Home and Youth Shelter. He thanked Polk Association for their gifts in recent months, such as painting, the peaches, the firewood, and the record from Mrs. Pate. He stressed that one of the greatest needs of the Home was foster parents.

Mrs. Ellen Payne from the Baptist Home For The Aging, introduced by Rev. Benson Hodge, invited the Association to come see the new Home For The Aging at Asheville. She shared some interesting incidents at the home.

Rev. Richard Spencer from the Baptist Hospital was introduced by Rev. William Painter. He told about the Hospital being a program of training, caring, and preparing. He also told of the six bed unit in the burn center at the hospital in Winston-Salem. He spoke of the deep concern of Dr. Patterson, who is a Cancer Specialist, and the Christian concern he has for his patients.

The above reports were adopted and seconded by Rev. John Godfrey.

Following the congregational hymn #139 led by Rev. Bill Pate with Mrs. Pate at the piano, Mrs. Houston Moses rendered the lovely special solo: "Because He Lives."

The Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. Benson Hodge, Pastor of Pacolet Hills

Baptist Church. He brought a challenging message using different verses in Revelation to speak about the Letters to the churches. He asked the questions - By Whose Authority? Using Available Information and Accessibility or Reward? We can have victory over the second death, food for the soul, all power, a permanent pedigree for heaven, a new name in heaven, a new personality.

The group sang the congregational hymn #144, "Sing The Wondrous Story" led by Rev. Bill Pate, with his wife, Charlene, at the piano.

There was an interlude of special music presented by Natalie and Darrell Harris. Natalie sang "Mansion Over The Hilltop" and Darrell played "Amazing Grace" on the trumpet. Both were accompanied by Mrs. Pate. These two youth did an excellent job. They are members of Peniel Church.

The American Bible Society Report was given by Rev. Tom Gentry.

Rev. Alvin Jackson introduced Dr. Henry Stokes, who gave the Higher Education Report. He commented that N.C. gives more to Christian Education than any other state except Texas. He also reminded us that there are seven Baptist Colleges in N.C. He also said that Wake Forest would like to continue the relationship with the N.C. Baptist Convention.

The Baptist Student Union Report was given by Rev. John Godfrey. He introduced Rev. Dennis Ball, who spoke to the Association about Gardner-Webb. They have recently started a deaf ministry, and also a ministry to handicapped students.

The Christian Action League Report was given and adopted.

The Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He reported that enrollment was up but baptisms down.

The Church Training Report was given by Rev. William Painter. He expressed his appreciation for the good attendance we had at "M" night. This was the highest attendance ever for "M" night in Polk Association. He challenged our hearts to be trained to do God's work, especially in Church Training.

The Brotherhood Report was given by Jerry Padgett.

The W.M.U. Report was given by Mrs. Gil Smothers. She stated that the World Day of Prayer would be on Nov. 5 at Pacolet Hills.

The Music Report was given by Mrs. Charlene Pate.

The V.B.S. Report was given by Rev. John Godfrey. He noted an increase in enrollment and 27 professions of faith.

The Executive Committee Report was given by Mrs. William Painter, Associational Clerk. She presented prizes to the churches whose clerks sent in the first correct church letters. They were 1st - Pacolet Hills, 2nd - Peniel, 3rd - Hickory Grove.

The Financial Report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley, Treasurer.

The Committee on Committees Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was given next - followed by the Historian's Report which was given by Mrs. Miriam Arledge.

The group sang the congregational hymn, "There Is A Name I Love To Hear" led by Rev. Bill Pate with Mrs. Charlene Pate at the piano.

The Time, Place, and Preacher Report was given by Mr. Leroy McCraw in the absence of Mr. Clifford Stott.

There was no Evangelism Report.

The Christian Literature Report was given by Mrs. Delia Byrd.

Because of the extra time in the afternoon session it was decided to go ahead and have some of the evening reports. This would give more time for Dr. Ray.

The North Carolina Missions Report was given by Rev. Bill Hodge.

The Home and Foreign Missions Report was given by Mrs. Judy Arledge.

The group sang "At The Cross." Next Rev. John Godfrey spoke concerning the sum-

mer worker that had done so many good things for their church.

The Memorial Committee gave the report. The names were read by Mrs. John Godfrey. Miss Carron Prince rendered the beautiful number, "Take My Hand, Lord" which was followed by prayer by Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw.

The above reports were adopted and then seconded.

The host pastor, Rev. Bill Hodge gave instructions concerning the evening meal, and the Association adjourned until 7 P.M. when it would reconvene.



Evening Session of the Tenth Annual Meeting

Rev. John Godfrey, Vice-Moderator, presided. He thanked the host churches for the delicious meal.

The meeting opened with the singing of the hymn, "We Are Called To Be God's People," with Mrs. Charlene Pate, Director, and Mr. Leslie Bush, Pianist, and Mrs. Marlene Fisher, Organist.

Rev. Arthur Smith, pastor of the Sandy Springs Church, read the scripture and led in prayer.

The Hickory Grove Choir, directed by Rev. Ralph Hipp, presented special music. The two numbers rendered were: "If That Isn't Love" and "Come Unto Me." Mr. Bush accompanied at the piano and Mrs. Fisher at the organ.

The meeting was especially geared to missions. The Hickory Grove Church presented a Mission Tableau. It was enjoyable, informative, and challenging.

Next our Stewardship Chairman, Mr. Leroy McCraw, introduced Dr. O.D. Martin, from our State Convention. Dr. Martin brought an inspiring message that challenged our hearts to reach the gospel by the year 2000. His prayer was that Southern Baptists would be caught up in this faith.

The announcement about high attendance Sunday in our Sunday Schools was stressed. It will be October 28th, and our Sunday Schools should strive to have 70 percent present.

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was made by Mrs. Larry Stott.

The Moderator asked for any more unfinished business. There was a motion made to adopt the reports and program. This motion was carried.

Mrs. Charlene Pate sang, "I'm A Child Of The King" as a special before the message of Challenge for our Association.

This challenging and heart-warming message was brought to us by Dr. Cecil Ray, the Executive Secretary of N.C. State Convention. Dr. Ray's message was entitled "People On Mission - On Purpose." We were truly inspired and challenged to be THE PEOPLE with THE PURPOSE to do His will.

The meeting closed with a prayer of dedication for all the new officers and heads of the departments.

The group sang the doxology and a benediction was given until the assembling of the Eleventh Polk Baptist Association at Columbus, October 23, 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William Painter
Associational Clerk

PROGRAM OF THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Let the Church reach out in Life changing commitments"
"We Are Called To Be God's People" - Our Theme Song

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| 2:00 | Call to Worship "We Are Called To Be God's People" | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. Music Director Polk Baptist Association |
| | Scripture and Prayer | Rev. Houston Moses, Pastor of Mill Spring Baptist Church |
| | Welcome - Host Pastor | Rev. Bill Hodge |
| 2:15 | Declaration of 10th Annual Program | Rev. Ron Gilbert, Moderator |
| | Adoption of Program | Rev. John Godfrey |
| | Presentation of Book of Reports | Rev. M.R. Simpson, Director of Missions of Polk Association |
| | Introduction of New Personnel & Visitors | Moderator |
| 2:30 | Business Session | |
| 2:40 | Associational Budget | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | Annuity | Rev. Bill Pate |
| 2:50 | Baptist Children's Home & Youth Shelter | Mr. Hugh Starnes |
| | Baptist Home For The Aging | Rev. Benson Hodge, Guest Speaker - Mrs. Ellen Payne, W.N.C. Home |
| | Baptist Hospital | Rev. William Painter, Guest speaker - Rev. Richard Spencer, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Caroleen |
| | Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley, Guest Speaker - Rev. James McQuere, State Convention |
| 3:20 | Adoption of Reports | |
| | Hymn #139 - "I Stand Amazed In The Presence" | Mrs. Pate |
| | Special Music | Mrs. Nancy Moses |
| 3:35 | Annual Sermon | Rev. Benson Hodge, Pastor of Pacolet Hills Baptist Church |
| 4:05 | Break (15 Minutes) | |
| 4:20 | Hymn #144 "Sing The Wondrous Story" | Mrs. Pate |
| | Special Music | Natalie Harris, Soloist, and Darrell Harris, Trumpeter - Members of Peniel |
| 4:35 | American Bible Society | Rev. T.G. Gentry |
| | Christian Education | Rev. Alvin Jackson, Guest Speaker - Dr. Henry Stokes, Wake Forest |
| | Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| | Baptist Student Union | Rev. John Godfrey, Guest Speaker - Mr. Dennis Ball, Gardner-Webb |
| | Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| 4:55 | Reports of Organizations | |
| | Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | Church Training | Rev. William Painter |
| | Brotherhood | Mr. Jerry Padgett |
| | W.M.U. | Mrs. Roena Smothers |
| | Music | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| | V.B.S. | Rev. John Godfrey |

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| 5:25 | Executive Report | Mrs. William Painter |
| 5:30 | Finance Report | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| | Committee on Committees Report | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| 5:40 | Nominating Committee | Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| 5:45 | Historian | Mrs. Miriam Arledge |
| | Hymn "There Is A Name I Love To Hear" | |
| 5:50 | Time, Preacher, Place Report | Mr. Clifford Stott |
| 5:55 | Evangelism | Rev. Fred Rhodes |
| 6:00 | Association Missions Report | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| 6:05 | Memorials | Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw |
| | Special Music | Miss Carron Prince, Music Director, Columbus Baptist Church |
| 6:15 | Adoption of Reports | |
| | Recognition of Host Pastor | |
| 6:20 | Break For The Evening Meal | |

EVENING SESSION

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| 7:00 | Hymn | |
| | Scripture and Prayer | Rev. Arthur Smith |
| 7:15 | Christian Stewardship | |
| | North Carolina Missions | Rev. Bill Hodge |
| | Home and Foreign Missions | Mrs. Judy Arledge |
| | Mission Tableau | Presented by Hickory Grove Baptist Church |
| 7:30 | Stewardship | Mr. Leroy McCraw |
| | Speaker | Dr. O.D. Martin, Director of Stewardship North Carolina Baptist Convention |
| 7:55 | Resolutions | Mrs. Larry Stott |
| 8:00 | Business (Additional and Unfinished) | |
| | Adoption of Reports and Program | Moderator |
| 8:05 | Special Music | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| 8:15 | Message of CHALLENGE | Dr. Cecil Ray, Executive Secretary of North Carolina State Convention |

Benediction

Prayer of Dedication For New Officers

Adjourn until October 23, 1980 at Columbus Baptist Church

Our Theme Song - "We Are Called To Be God's People"

We are called to be God's people, Showing by our lives His grace.
One in heart and one in spirit, Sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how He has changed us, And remade us as His own.
Let us share our lives together, As we shall around His throne.

We are called to be God's servants, Working in His world today,
Taking His own task upon us, All His sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then to the summons, Dedicate to Him our ALL,
That we may be faithful servants, Quick to answer now His call.

We are called to be God's prophets, Spokesmen for the truth and right,
Standing firm for Godly justice, Bringing evil into light.
Let us seek the courage needed, Our high calling to fulfill,
That mankind may know the blessing, Of the doing of God's will.

Let us depart from this meeting with the FIRM RESOLUTION that POLK BAPTIST will be KNOWN as HIS PEOPLE and that we will PROVE it by OUR WITNESS!

Good Night! Thanks for Coming! May God Bless and Keep Each One!



**Licensed and Ordained Ministers in our Association
Who are not Pators at the Present Time**

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| Beulah | L. Charles Arledge, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC | 28782 |
| Big Level | | None |
| Byars | | None |
| Columbus | | None |
| Cooper's Gap | | None |
| Faith | Rev. Phillip McCall, Rt. 1, Mill Springs, NC | 28756 |
| | L. Mr. James Owens, Rt. 1, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| Faith Temple | | None |
| Green River | | None |
| Hickory Grove | | None |
| Mill Spring | | None |
| Midway | L. Mr. William Mills, Rt. 1, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| | L. Mr. Herman Case, Rt. 1, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| Morgan Chapel | | None |
| Pacolet Hills | | None |
| Pea Ridge | | None |
| Peniel | Rev. W.C. Pate, Sr. (R), Star Route Box 126 B, Black Mountain, NC | 28711 |
| | Rev. Ralph Cochran (R), Rt. 1 Box 132, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| Sandy Springs | | None |
| Silver Creek | | None |
| Tryon Second | Rev. C.P. Burrell, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC | 28782 |
| Warrior Mountain | | None |



EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES - 1979

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| BEULAH | Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC | 28782 |
| | Ronnie Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC | 28782 |
| BIG LEVEL | Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, NC | |
| BYARS | Marvin Wilson, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC | 28756 |
| | Roy Price, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC | 28756 |
| COLUMBUS | Mrs. Frances Pace, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| COOPER'S GAP | Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, NC | 28756 |
| | Zeno Lancaster, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, NC | 28756 |
| FAITH | James Owens, Rt. 1, Columbus, NC | 28722 |
| | Mrs. James S. Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, NC | 28756 |

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| FAITH TEMPLE | Mrs. Jean Painter, Box 213, Columbus, NC 28722 |
| | Robert Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| GREEN RIVER | James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, NC 28139 |
| | Joe Miller, Rt. 1, Chesnee, SC |
| HICKORY GROVE | Charles Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 |
| MIDWAY | Mr. John Gibbs, Columbus, NC 28722 |
| MILL SPRING | Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| | Mr. R.L. Owens, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | Ray Laughter, Rt. 3, Campobello, SC 29322 |
| PACOLET HILLS | Steve Henderson, Rt. 1, Tryon, NC 28782 |
| PEA RIDGE | Preston Bowyer, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| PENIEL | Albert Durham, Rt. 1 Box 42, Tryon, NC 28782 |
| | Homer Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, SC 29356 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, NC 28139 |
| SILVER CREEK | Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Rt. 2 Box 40, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| | Boyce L. Jackson, Rt. 2 Box 26A, Mill Spring, NC 28756 |
| TRYON SECOND | Don Hipp, Box 703, Columbus, NC 28722 |
| | Harley Burrell, Oak Grove Rd., Landrum, SC 29356 |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN | Gene Anderson, Box 194, Saluda, NC 28773 |
| | Donald Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda, NC 28773 |

The Constitution says that each church shall have three voting members on the Executive Committee, namely the pastor, the treasurer, and one elected member. All general officers and heads of departments are members ex-officio.

ELECTED MESSENGERS TO THE 1979 ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

BEULAH: Mrs. Myrtle Kersh, Miss Ella Chitwood, Mrs. Irene Biggerstaff.
 BIG LEVEL: Mrs. Florence Gilbert, Mrs. Alice Skipper, Mr. General Haynes.
 BYARS: Rev. Henry Owensby, Mrs. Henry Owensby, Mr. Roy Price, Mr. Gene Wilson.
 COLUMBUS: Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Martha Hill.
 COOPER'S GAP: Deacon Birch Corn, Mrs. Coleen Corn, Deacon Henry Steppe, Mrs. Christy Whitesides, Mrs. Viola Ruff, Mrs. Dot Haynes.
 FAITH: Mrs. Herbert Rhodes, Mrs. Ron Gilbert, Mrs. William Arledge, Mr. Jerry Padgett.
 FAITH TEMPLE: Mrs. Doris Blackwell, Mrs. Jean Painter, Mrs. Pearl Gilbert.
 GREEN RIVER: Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Mrs. Inez Shytle, Mrs. Docia Green, Mr. Buford Harris, Mrs. Virgie Harris.
 HICKORY GROVE: Rev. & Mrs. Bill Hodge, Mrs. Edna Stott, Mrs. Cleo Powell, Mrs. Tessie Stott, Mrs. Blanche Raburn, Mrs. Clara Wilson.
 MIDWAY: Mr. John Ford, Mrs. Alma Ford, Rev. Alvin Jackson.
 MILL SPRING: Mrs. Mamie Harris, Mrs. Hubert Pack, Mrs. Ruby Jackson, Mr. Raymond Owens.
 MORGAN CHAPEL: Mr. Stewart Holbert, Mrs. Bernice Holbert, Mrs. Rosetta Flynn, Mr. George Willard, Rev. Lawrence Jackson, Mr. Roy Laughter, Mrs. Cleo Laughter.
 PACOLET HILLS: Mrs. Elsie Edwards, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mr. Steve Henderson.
 PEA RIDGE: Mr. Oliver Taylor, Mr. C.T. Hudson, Mrs. Jeanette Carswell.

PENIEL: Rev. & Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr., Rev. & Mrs. W.C. Pate, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Donell Flynn, Mrs. Sue Holbert, Mrs. Louise Jackson, Mr. Dean Pittman, Mr. Charles Jackson, Mr. Herbert Owens, Mr. & Mrs. Homer Pittman.

SANDY SPRINGS: Mr. & Mrs. C.Y. Turner.

SILVER CREEK: Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Mrs. Dora Arledge, Mrs. Nellie Arledge, Mrs. Madge Russell.

TRYON SECOND: Mr. Harley Burrell, Mrs. Sybil Burrell, Mrs. Viola Henderson, Mrs. Mae Ross, and Rev. T.G. Gentry.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Elma Bright, Mr. Gene Anderson, Mrs. Delia Byrd.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT FOR 1979-80

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Rev. M.R. Simpson, Chairman

Rev. Bill Pate

Rev. Ron Gilbert

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman

Rev. Ron Gilbert

Mrs. Roena Smothers

Mrs. Charlene Pate

Mrs. Jack Jolley

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr.

Mr. John Gibbs

Rev. George Lynch

EVANGELISM

Rev. Houston Moses, Chairman

Rev. Henry Owensby

Rev. Ron Gilbert

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman

Consist of all officers and

Directors of Departments

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Lee Gregory, Chairman

Rev. Steve Hardin

Mr. Leroy McCraw

ORDINATIONS

Rev. Alvin Jackson

Rev. Benson Hodge

Rev. Tom Gentry

YOUTH SHELTER

Rev. Bill Pate

Mr. Leroy McCraw

PROGRAM AND CALENDAR

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of Departments

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Mr. Joe Owensby, Chairman

Mr. Kenneth Williams

Mr. Clifford, Stott

RESOLUTIONS

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Mrs. Ladd Edwards

Mrs. Madge Russell

MEMORIALS

Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Chairman

Mrs. Helen Godfrey

Mrs. Charlene Pate

LIBRARY

Mrs. Millie Simpson

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Joe Owensby, Chairman

Rev. Steve Hardin

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. Larry Denton, Chairman

Miss Carron Prince

Mr. Larry Thompson

Miss Bethene Burrell

Miss Loretta Jackson

ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR COORDINATOR

Mr. A.E. Morgan

TRUSTEES

Mr. Jack Jolley

Mr. Ted Owens

Mr. Earl Taylor

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Rev. Alvin Jackson
Rev. Ron Gilbert

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1979-80

OFFICERS

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| Moderator | Rev. Ron Gilbert |
| Vice-Moderator | Rev. John Godfrey |
| Clerk | Mrs. William Painter |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| Historian | Mrs. Miriam Arledge |
| Parliamentarian | Rev. Bill Pate |
| Director of Missions | Rev. M.R. Simpson |

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

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| Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Church Training | Rev. William Painter |
| V.B.S. | Rev. John Godfrey |
| W.M.U. | Mrs. Roena Smothers |
| Brotherhood | Mr. Jerry Padgett |
| Chairman of Evangelism | Rev. Houston Moses |
| Music | Mrs. W.C. Pate, Jr. |

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

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| American Bible Society | Rev. T.G. Gentry |
| Annuity Board | Rev. W.C. Pate, Jr. |
| Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter | Mr. Leroy McCraw |
| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Homes For Aging | Rev. Benson Hodge |
| Baptist Hospital | Rev. William Painter |
| Baptist Student Union | Rev. John Godfrey |
| Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| Christian Education | Rev. Alvin Jackson |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship and the Cooperative Program | Rev. George Lynch |
| N.C. Missions | Rev. Bill Hodge |
| Home and Foreign Missions | Mrs. Judy Arledge |
| Radio and T. V. | Mrs. Robert Durham |
| N.C. State and General Board | Rev. John Godfrey |

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Ron Gilbert, Chairman
Rev. Lee Gregory
Mr. Leroy McCraw

American Bible Society 1979

The American Bible Society reports with much excitement this year. Over 500 million scriptures were distributed in 1978 which is a 23 percent increase over the previous year.

New Testaments were distributed in the Central African Empire at the rate of one for every 100 residents of the country. Total scripture distribution throughout India in 1978 surpassed 60 million copies. As a part of a celebration of the Centennial Year of

the Bible Society in Mexico an effort to reach every home with a copy of God's word was launched. There was much rejoicing when Russia granted permission for 25,000 Bibles to be shipped to their country. Over one million scriptures was shared with the hungry people of Spain. The United States distribution of Bibles, Testaments, Scripture portions and selections totaled 127,414,817. People who have previously been denied access to the scriptures because of their inability to read have been assisted by the Bibles Societies' New Reader programs. The Bible Societies' new reader program helps the new reader attain the literacy level needed to easily understand a complete New Testament in his own common language. During 1978 new common language translations appeared in 22 languages. As of December 31, 1978 at least one complete book of the Bible had been published in 1,659 languages - an increase compared to the reported total in 1977. The American Bible Society has volunteers sharing scriptures with people in hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, etc. They also operate scripture courtesy centers throughout the 50 states of the Union.

These accomplishments are made possible because of gifts received from individuals and churches through the Southern Baptist Convention. The American Bible Society requests our continued prayers and financial support so the hope found in the Word can be spread to those in such desperate need.

Respectfully submitted,
T. G. Gentry, Representative

Evangelism Report for 1979

Baptists in search of unsaved and unchurched persons, are joining together in a Statewide Evangelistic Crusade scheduled for 1982. It is expected that the effort will include Simultaneous Revivals with dates and other activities announced soon. The Joint Evangelistic Crusade Committee requests prayer support of the churches for this effort - to reach every person in North Carolina with the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

The 33rd Statewide Evangelism Conference was held at the Cumberland Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, N.C. February 5-6, 1979. Over 2500 pastors and lay persons were challenged by evangelistic preachers to involve church members more in direct witnessing for Christ to the unsaved.

Pastors and lay persons participated in an important seminar on "GROWING AN EVANGELISTIC CHURCH" during March 26-29 at Caraway Conference Center. The seminar was co-sponsored by the Division of Evangelism and several of the staff of the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board. In depth training sessions placed an emphasis on long-range planning to develop an evangelistic local church.

The Division of Evangelism now has the TELL set and training cartridges to train small groups in direct witnessing. There will be renewed emphasis on Lay Evangelism Schools with the use of new materials and TELL witness training.

Decisions for Christ are being made by youth and adults as a result of the Youth Revivals led by four Summer Youth Evangelism Teams in one week efforts among 36 churches across our state.

The 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Greensboro during February 4-5, 1980.

In our Polk Association we are not meeting our goals for BOLD MISSIONS! We must be concerned for the lost! WAKE UP POLK ASSOCIATION!

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Rhodes, Chairman

Division of Christian Life and Public Affairs

The Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs is made up of 20 persons selected by the Convention. Eight come from the General Board, while the remaining 12 are elected at-large. These persons give overall leadership to the Council's staff.

There have been two changes in the staff. W. Douglas Cole has recently been named Director of the Division of Christian Life and Public Affairs. Earlier in the year Ted W. Williams was named Director of the Department of Aging.

The Christian Life Council has been concerned with a number of moral issues during 1979. The status and health of the family is of great importance. In an effort to strengthen family relationships, the Council has been involved in marriage enrichment retreats and associational family life conferences. In addition, a marriage enrichment retreat was held for ministers and their spouses. A family life poster has been printed and is being made available to churches.

More than 700 North Carolina Baptists participated in the newly-formed Legislative Information Network. Members of the Network received a guidebook containing relevant information on the North Carolina General Assembly. In addition, a regular newsletter was mailed to all participants, keeping them informed on a wide variety of legislative issues of interest to Christians.

Work by the Department of Aging was begun this year. Under the leadership of Ted Williams, the Council has sponsored a Senior Adult Conference and a Senior Adult Retreat. Efforts are being made to designate a senior adult co-ordinator in many churches and associations. As the number of senior adults in our society grows, it will be increasingly important for us to find creative ways to minister with senior adults and to help them to deal with the problems of growing old.

The plight of millions of hungry and starving people around the world has continued to hold the attention of Baptists. A packet of materials was prepared by the Christian Life Council to aid churches in the observance of World Hunger Day in August. Many churches have participated, through special services, offerings, study groups and other means, in helping hungry people around the world. Many more need to become active in feeding some of Jesus' brothers and sisters, in His name.

Applying the radical teachings of our Lord to our day-by-day lives is not easy. Jesus said that in order for His followers to come after Him, they must first take up their crosses. The task of the Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs is to help North Carolina Baptist to live life as Christ would have us to live it.

Respectfully submitted,
W. Douglas Cole, Director
J. George Reed, Department of Christian
Citizenship Education
Ted. W. Williams, Department of Aging

The 1978-79 Annual Report North Carolina Baptist Homes For The Aging

This has been a year of great significance and celebration in the life of our North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging! We would give praise and thanksgiving to God especially, and to our Baptist pastors and churches throughout North Carolina for the victories that we have experienced!

Of outstanding importance has been the completion, dedication, and occupancy of our new Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville. This lovely new home, accomodating 50 additional residents, was dedicated to the glory of God on April 29,

1979. Already, there are enough residents who have arrived, and those who have been approved for admission, to fill the Home.

The new apartment complex in Winston-Salem, accommodating 16, has been completed and all of the apartments have either been filled or assigned. With an older apartment built in 1961 there are a total of five duplex apartments accommodating 20 persons. With the apartment complex, the six Baptist Homes for the Aging, and the skilled nursing facility, 300 persons can be served in our Baptist Homes. Homes are located in the following places: Resthaven, The Hayes Home, Apartments, The Skilled Nursing Unit, in Winston-Salem; the Albemarle Home in Albemarle; the Hamilton Home in Hamilton; the Yanceyville Home in Yanceyville; the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

Financially, this has been a crucial year in our Baptist Homes, since we did not have our usual 3rd Sunday of February Offering, which makes up 16% of our total budget. We have had to move into our endowment funds in order to operate and to keep the ship afloat, since the usual \$300,000.00 that we receive from the Special Offering was delayed until we receive the North Carolina Missions Offering in September. We are looking forward to this offering in a very special way, and it will certainly be crucial in the support of our Homes for the Aging. Let us trust that the goal of \$2,000,000 for all of our 10 Baptist Institutions, and the special causes of State Missions will be met.

Support through the Cooperative Program for Our Homes, which supplies about 8% of our total budget continues in a steady and encouraging manner. During the 28 years of the ministry of the Homes, the amount of 1 2/10% of the Baptist State Convention Cooperative dollar for the Homes has never been changed.

Through the love gifts of North Carolina Baptists, five out of every six people who cannot pay the full cost of care, are supplemented. This, therefore, is a ministry of Christian love and compassion at its best in the lives of those older people who are in our care.

Of great joy has been the addition of two new administrative staff members - Mr. Jack Hoyle, who came in mid-January as the Director of Admissions and Social Services, and Rev. Jim Saul, as the Director of Denominational Relations and Development. Rev. Saul is filling the vacancy created by the retirement of Rev. Ralph Cannon in March. We shall never cease being grateful to the Lord for the significant contribution that Ralph made during his service with the Homes. The ministry of the Homes has been greatly enhanced and enriched by the coming of Jack Hoyle and Jim Saul in their respective fields of service.

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself. We trust that you will keep this vital ministry close to your heart and in your prayers, and that your gifts will enable us not only to minister to those in our care, but encourage us to expand this desperately needed ministry in our Convention.

I am happy to report that Polk Baptist Association paid a bill long overdue - We gave \$1,000.00 to the new Home in Western N.C.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Benson Hodge, Representative

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

Children in the care of the Baptist Children's Homes are like children anywhere you find them. They are looking to and receiving guidance from caring adults, their minds are being enriched in appropriate educational development, their spiritual needs are being attended, they are happily at play and they are contributing to the lives of the

people close to them. Many of them are finding it possible to become a part of a re-established family because the important relatives in their lives are served by the Children's Homes while the child is in care.

There is a continuing need in our society for existing programs of service. Flexibility and change are the order of the day for the Baptist Children's Homes to meet whatever human need is expressed as the family confronts societal pressures. This is a real challenge.

Western North Carolina families have ready access to all services of the Baptist Children's Homes through Broyhill Home, the Maternity Home in Asheville, Emergency Care at Forest City, a network of foster homes, social work services from Broyhill and Asheville offices and counsel from staff in the west or through other resources in general staff located in Thomasville. A Family Services Center headquartered in Charlotte and serving eight surrounding counties has successfully piloted the concept of community based services and is another resource to West and Piedmont especially.

Every effort is being made to be a part of and cooperate with the Bold Missions program of advance fostered by the Baptist State Convention in cooperation with the local church.

An in depth, comprehensive self-study of every segment of the Baptist Children's Homes is just being concluded by the institution's trustees. The study has taken two years and projects the future direction of the Homes over the next decades.

A major portion of the 1978-79 operating budget of the Homes comes from the local church through the Cooperative Program, Special gifts and the traditional Thanksgiving Offering. This has helped make it possible to operate thus far this year within income. We are prayerfully concerned, and optimistic, that sufficient funds will continue to come and provide needed services to families and children.

Pastors, other church leaders, and Associational leaders are asking for help in ministering to families. Services of the Homes are being localized as rapidly as possible in order to join hands with these concerned people.

Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Report for 1979

Polk Association is pleased to have a small part in the work at the Thermal Youth Shelter. We are happy to report that the Association will include this in the budget for next year. Some of our W.M.U. groups have visited the home and helped to meet special needs. The Brotherhood at Faith spent two Saturdays at the shelter - painting the buildings. There are many things that you can do to be helpful to the Shelter - either by yourself or with a group. If you would like a **REAL GENUINE BLESSING** try doing something for the Youth Shelter.

Report of Baptist Hospital for 1979

Although growth in bed capacity at Baptist Hospital has leveled off at just under 700 beds, there is continuing expansion of the hospital's services. This expansion results from new discoveries made through medical research, and is in response to the health care needs of people.

During the past year a 38-bed rehabilitation unit has opened to offer short-term services and family instruction to the disabled. The chief beneficiaries of this program are patients with strokes, arthritis, burns, long-term casts, joint replacement surgery, brain tumors, spinal cord injuries, hand injuries, and some cardiac problems.

A new six-bed burn unit is scheduled to open soon. This unit will permit the isolation of burn patients in a location where all required services are immediately available.

An automatic clinical analyzer, the first of its kind in the state, has been acquired and put into operation. This fully automated analyzer, which uses computer technology, can perform more than 200 tests. It analyzes blood serum and body fluids and provides results in less than eight minutes. These prompt and accurate results are of particular importance in critical care areas, such as the emergency room.

Another new ministry is a program of home visitation for children with cancer and their families. A team consisting of physicians, nurses, a psychologist and chaplains minister to families during three critical periods: when a child has received a recent diagnosis of cancer, when a child is terminally ill, when a child has recently died.

Our chaplains lead worship services in Davis Chapel, which are relayed to all patient rooms by closed-circuit television. They also provide a pastoral ministry to patients, their families and to staff members; provide more than 15,000 hours of personal counseling annually; offer personal growth and enrichment events of hundreds of clergy and lay persons each year; and conduct the largest program of clinical pastoral education in the world. Ministries of the Pastoral Care department are made accessible to people across the state through satellites in Fayetteville, Raleigh, Morganton and Charlotte.

Baptist Hospital has actively participated in the voluntary effort to keep hospital costs as low as possible. Our hospital and several of its employees have been recognized and received awards for their cost-saving ideas and efforts. Our patients benefit in that the hospital's room rate increase this year-despite continuing inflation - is only 5%, as compared to an annual increase of 6% in recent years.

In recent months the hospital's oldest building - "Old Main" - has been torn down and a new six-story Focus Building is now rising on this site.

Our hospital staff members have been working with representatives from other denominational agencies and with leaders of the Baptist State Convention to promote the North Carolina Missions Offering. The hospital looks forward to receiving its share of this offering, as gifts from the churches in the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$196,516, as compared to \$388,122 in the preceeding fiscal year.

The Biblical Recorder - 1979

In its 146th year of serving North Carolina Baptists, "The Recorder," like old man river, keeps rolling along. "The Recorder" faced the same problems as everyone did in the past year - price increases in every phase of its operations. The cost of postage continues to go up at a rate of more than 30 per cent a year. This means "The Recorder" is costing four times as much to mail as it did five years ago.

Paper and printing also have gone up, but despite these increases, "The Recorder" still is about the most reasonable publication available. By keeping the staff small and cutting corners wherever possible, "The Recorder" can still go into every home in a church for only 7½¢ a week. In today's inflationary world, where else can a person receive so much for so little money? You would pay twice that much for postage on a first class letter.

This has been a newsworthy year and "The Recorder" has tried to keep you informed. Wake Forest University and its relationship to the Baptist State Convention continues to be in the news and you can depend on "The Recorder" to strive for fairness and responsible coverage. Action will be taken at the State Convention in November on a proposal that has been worked out by a special committee.

The Southern Baptist Convention in Houston was another important story this year and as always, "The Recorder" was there.

Even though "The Recorder" takes pride in its coverage of denominational news and

events, it devotes more space to the local church than any other state paper in the Southern Baptist Convention. "The Recorder" believes in the local church as the foundation stone of what we are trying to do together as Southern Baptists. Strong churches result in a strong denomination.

The editor is completing 20 years and is still striving to make "The Recorder" better each week. Your support of "The Recorder" will not only mean much to it but will make you a stronger and better informed Christian. If you and your church do not receive "The Recorder," please take steps immediately to see that this is done.

Report on Christian Literature - 1979

We, as Southern Baptist people, are very fortunate to have the Christian literature that is being printed each year to support us in the task of bringing men to God through Jesus Christ. Our convention and the Broadman Press are dedicated to the purpose of making available Bibles, Lesson Courses, materials, books, films, filmstrip music, recordings, and service programs which will help us in our ministries of Bible teaching and Christian training.

Each quarter there are new periodicals and teaching helps as well as a new tract system offered. Year by year the Broadman personnel attempt to determine what Christians will be reading and interested in reading two or three years hence, and they try to meet those needs and interests. There is a very good variety and balance between Bible Study, inspirational writings, history, teaching, Christian doctrine, evangelism, and many other subjects. There are three different kinds of Sunday School lessons to choose from. Church Training material has been revised and added to. Our Missions Publications keep us informed of needs and witness is felt around the world.

Unless we are inspired and trained in our local churches for BOLD MISSIONS THRUST - our goal is in vain. Missions has always started at home and without the literature and the Bible itself for us to study and equip ourselves for this monumental task, we will not see our goal reached.

The Bible teaches us to "Study to show ourselves approved..." 2 Timothy 2:15. Let us be faithful in study and prayer that as we live and witness each day God's power could be felt around the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd
Representative Christian Literature

The Annuity Report for 1979

The Baptist State Convention pays \$200 per year to the ordained church staff member's retirement account, when the church contributes as much as \$400.00 to the account. This \$200 provides the protection section (survivor and disability) benefits. The money contributed by the church provides for the annuity income at age 65.

North Carolina as of March 31, 1979, shows 2,953 staff members of 2,290 churches and associations participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement System.

The year 1978 was a year of challenge for the Annuity Board in servicing churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, according to Dr. Harold H. Morgan, President. Among the challenges he listed were extremes of market variations, staggering pressures of escalating costs, changes in personnel and organization, and the eroding pressure of governmental regulations.

In Polk Association there are 11 employers and 11 members of the Annuity Program. This is the best year so far on upgrading in retirement. It is sad that more in the Association are not making their financial conditions secure for the declining years.

Churches, you should try to find a way to up the Annuity for your pastors to at least 10%.

If you have any questions about your retirement, disability, life insurance, or medical insurance call this toll free number Monday-Friday 9:30-5:30 P.M. 1-800-527-4767.

I encourage all of our churches to provide adequate benefits for your pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
William C. Pate, Jr.
Representative

Time, Place, Preacher Report - 1979

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee recommends that the Polk Baptist Associational Annual Meeting for the year 1980 meet as follows:

Place: Columbus Baptist Church

Time: October 23, 1980

Preacher: Rev. Boyce Bradshaw

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford Stott, Chairman

The Sunday School Report - 1979

What is the Sunday School? It is a church agency organized for effective work led by church elected officers and teachers dedicated to the four-fold purpose of reaching, teaching, winning and enlisting people for Christ.

The Sunday School is the number one arm of evangelism of the church. A strong witnessing Sunday School will grow and also you will have a growth in church membership and worship.

There were 22 Sunday School workers represented at the Key Leadership Conference at Cooper's Gap Church. This was encouraging because it says that we are interested in improving our Sunday Schools in Polk Association. It means that we want the BEST the BEST Bible teaching program in our churches.

In August at the Pastor-Director Workshop we had 20 people from 12 churches represented. We had a good workshop. Many realized the work that needs to be done in their respective churches.

Sunday School Directors, I encourage you to take advantage of all Sunday School Training opportunities. Then you can lead your workers in training for a more effective teaching program in your Sunday School.

May Polk Baptist Association BOLDLY teach, reach, and train people in Bible Study for the Kingdom of God.

Let 1979-80 be the BEST year in Sunday School growth in our churches and Association!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Director
Sunday Schools of Polk Association

Vacation Bible School Report for 1979

1979 has been one of the GREATER years for Vacation Bible School with 17 of our 19 churches reporting Bible Schools and two churches reporting three Backyard Bible Clubs resulting in a total of 20 schools.

A pre-clinic was held in Cooper's Gap Baptist Church and the Workers Clinic was held in the Faith Baptist Church. The Associational Team, Bible School Directors, and Teachers contributed much to the success of our Vacation Bible Schools this year.

We enjoyed a total enrollment of 992, with an average attendance of 903, 11 rededications, and 27 professions of faith. We had five churches with Adult V.B.S. classes. Next year we hope to have an Adult Class in all churches.

Vacation Bible School is one of the greatest tools of Southern Baptists. I trust we will continue to use it as a means of BOLD TEACHING and BOLD WITNESSING.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. John T. Godfrey,
V.B.S. Director



ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - 1979-80

NOVEMBER — STATE CONVENTION MONTH

- 5-11 Royal Ambassador Week
- 5 Pastor's Conference - Cooper's Gap Baptist Church - 7:30 P.M.
- 5 W.M.U. World Day of Prayer - Pacolet Hills Baptist Church 10 A.M. and 7 P.M.
- 9 Pastors' Bible Conference - Gardner-Webb College (3:00-9 P.M.)
Ephesians
- 11 Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day
- 12-14 North Carolina Baptist State Convention - Winston-Salem
- 18 Child Care Day
- 20 Foreign Mission Bible Study - Columbus 7-9 P.M.
- 22 Thanksgiving Day
- 26 "M" Night - Association Church Training Rally - Silver Creek
7:30 P.M.

DECEMBER — FOREIGN MISSIONS MONTH

- 2- 9 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions (Lottie Moon)
- 11 Pastors and wives Christmas Fellowship supper
- 23 Student Day at Christmas
- 25 Christmas Day

JANUARY — BIBLE STUDY MONTH - BOOK OF EPHESIANS

- 1 New Year's Day
- 7 Pastor's Conference
- 7-13 Bible Study Week (Book of Ephesians)
- 13 Soul-Winning Commitment Day
- 22 Baptist Women's Rally - Beulah Baptist Church 7 P.M. (Covered dish)
- 27 Baptist Men's Day

FEBRUARY — W.M.U. FOCUS MONTH

- 3 Baptist World Alliance Sunday
- 3 Executive Committee Meeting - Mill Spring Baptist Church 2:30 P.M.

- 4- 5 Evangelism Conference - Greensboro, NC
- 10-17 W.M.U. Focus Week
- 11 Pastor's Conference
- 19 Home Mission Study - Mill Spring 7 P.M.
- 17 Baptist Seminaries, Colleges and Schools Day
- 22-24 Baptist Men's Retreat Camp - Caraway

MARCH — HOME MISSIONS MONTH

- 2- 9 Week of Prayer for Home Missions
- 3 Pastor's Conference
- 6 Vacation Bible School Clinic - Lincolnton First Baptist Church
- 10-11 Mountain Director of Missions Workshop - Caraway
- 18-19 Pastors' Conference - Gardner-Webb College

APRIL — BOLD MISSIONS PRAYER RETREAT

- 6 Easter
- 7 Pastors' Conference
- W.M.U. Prayer Retreat - To be announced later
- 19 Baptist Men's World Day of Prayer
- 20 Cooperative Program Day
- 25-26 Baptist Women's Retreat at Caswell

MAY — FAMILY MISSION ACTION TRAINING

- 4 Executive Committee Meeting
- 5 Pastor's Conference
- 4-11 Christian Home Week
- 11 Mother's Day
- 12-14 Ridgecrest Key Leadership Conference
- 20 Spring W.M.U. Meeting at Cooper's Gap 7:30 P.M.
- 25-31 Week of Prayer for Associational Missions

JUNE — VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MONTH

- 2 Pastors' Conference
- 8- 9 W.M.U. Annual Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri
- 10-12 Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Missouri
- 6-13 Baptist World Alliance in Toronto, Canada
- 14-20 Church Music Week at Ridgecrest
- 15 Father's Day

JULY — CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

- June 30-4 Week of Christian Study and Fellowship - Mars Hill
- 4 Independence Day
- 7 Pastors' Conference

AUGUST — YOUTH MONTH

- 6-12 W.M.U. Conference at Ridgecrest
- 3 Executive Committee Meeting
- 4 Pastors' Conference
- 19 W.M.U. Fellowship (Enlistment Survey) Faith (Covered Dish)
- 15 State Youth Evangelism at Greensboro
- 24 On To College Day
- 29-30 Associational W.M.U. Workshop at Ridgecrest at Caraway

SEPTEMBER — MISSIONS MANIA

- 1 Labor Day
- 5- 6 W.M.U. Associational Workshop at Ridgecrest

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|---|---|
| 8 | Pastors' Conference |
| 12-13 | Volunteer Music Directors Retreat at Ridgecrest |
| 23 | W.M.U. Leadership Training at Hickory Grove |
| Sept. 28-Oct. | Sunday School Preparation Week |
| 5-12 | Week of Prayer for N.C. Missions |
| 8-15 | Cooperative Program Emphasis (Stewardship) |
| OCTOBER — ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS MONTH | |
| 6 | Pastors' Conference |
| Sept. 30-Oct. 1 | General Board Meeting |
| 23 | Associational Annual Meeting at Columbus |



Cooperative Program Report for 1979

A dream is only a dream until someone makes it come true. Bold Mission Thrust began as a dream for Southern Baptists in 1976-77 - a bold dream of greater mission support and church growth. Many people are committed to making this dream a reality. In order for Bold Mission Thrust to succeed, many more people must adopt this commitment.

Two important questions must be asked and answered. (1) Do we have the will and commitment to persist in achieving what we have voted as Bold Mission Thrust goals? (2) Can we learn to live with our commitments? Officially, Southern Baptists claimed their Bold Mission Thrust dream in 1977. Looking at the years ahead we have mixed reactions of excitement and anxiety. The introduction is over; in 1980 we must learn to live out our dream.

Involved in this learning are several realities to be considered:

1. Churches need to be faithful in fulfilling their goals of mission giving and church growth.
2. Some churches may need to discover "special roles" in the bold endeavors they have adopted.
3. Church leaders must lead the people to adjust lifestyles and values in order to achieve Bold Mission Thrust.
4. We need a strong zeal and spirit of cooperation to attain the \$30,000.00 goal of our 1980 Associational Missions Program.

THE DREAM IS BOLD! THE PEOPLE ARE EXCITED! THE MISSION UNMISTAKABLY STANDS BEFORE US! WILL YOU ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION?

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Leroy McCraw, Stewardship

North Carolina Missions Report - 1979

The purpose of the N.C. Mission Program is: "To share the gospel of Christ with all the people of North Carolina; to strengthen each church in its local work and world missions responsibility; to establish new churches through the organization and development of missions; to cultivate a special climate favorable to Christian life and the development of a Christian society "

May I share Dr. Cecil Ray's report in "The Biblical Recorder" on January 13th with you?

"In January 1979 the Convention owed only \$4,000,000. In 1977 State Missions Offering was \$901,394.04 and the 1978 Offering received \$780,170.40. Much of this money went to reduce the debts of the State Baptist Convention. Settling out of debt or at least reducing it by over 75% is obviously a good idea. The interest saved on the amount already paid would be about \$160,000 for just this year. There is probably no way to determine how much total interest was saved over the entire life of the state."

The Cooperative Program no longer has to be used on such a large scale to make debt payments. The annual claim of the Cooperative Program for debt was about \$286,000. This money can be used for direct missions ministries. The two year emphasis gave a lot of Baptists their first look at State Missions. Many churches received their first State Missions Offering.

Over 1,000 "interpreters" helped promote the special offering each year. This aspect alone exposed more and more people to the expanding State Mission Ministries throughout North Carolina.

But the greatest result, in my opinion, was the expanded State Missions Offering, and how it opened the door to Bold Missions. We have begun to see the potential. We can now move forward to our \$15 Million Cooperative Program Budget and \$2,000,000 for North Carolina Missions.

Rev. Bill Hodge
Representative N.C. Missions

Missions Committee Report for 1979

I became Chairman of the Missions Committee in August. I covet your prayers as I lead this all important committee.

The task of the Missions Committee is to oversee the mission work in our Association. Many of our churches are doing great in their mission support. Some of our churches need a greater vision and support for missions from within Polk County to around the world.

The Missions Committee recommended this year the relocating of the Associational Office from Pacolet Hills Church to Mill Spring Church. The relocating will be completed the last of October. The reason for the move was the fact that Mill Spring is more centrally located, and then, too, there will be more room for the Director to work.

Rev. and Mrs. Simpson are doing a great work in our Association. They have traveled many miles, attended many services, preached in almost all the churches, held Bible studies and attended conferences throughout the Association. They have attended state conferences and seminars from the western mountains to the eastern shores.

We are very fortunate to have such a spiritual leader to direct the work in Polk Baptist Association.

I want to thank all of the churches in the Association for their prayers and support of our Director and the Association work. May we all continue to work together, support each other, and undergird each other in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairmar
Missions Committee

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1978-79

Contributions From The Churches

| Churches | Regular | Minutes | N.C. Home | A. Jackson | Campland |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Beulah | \$ 1,613.00 | \$30.00 | | | \$ 500.00 |
| Big Level | 1,200.00 | | \$ 75.00 | | |
| Byars | 230.00 | | | \$ 21.45 | |
| Columbus | 1,563.32 | | | | |
| Cooper's Gap | 1,263.86 | | 236.00 | 85.37 | |
| Faith | 845.00 | | 100.00 | 80.00 | |
| Faith Temple | 50.00 | | | | |
| Green River | 600.00 | | | | 311.00 |
| Hickory Grove | 1,936.43 | | 132.00 | 66.91 | 525.60 |
| Midway | 520.00 | | | | |
| Mill Spring | 200.00 | | | 98.85 | |
| Morgan Chapel | 300.00 | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | 175.00 | | 50.00 | 29.00 | |
| Pea Ridge | 399.00 | | | | 349.00 |
| Peniel | 240.00 | 13.50 | | | |
| Sandy Springs | 665.00 | | 100.00 | | |
| Silver Creek | 1,080.00 | | 174.00 | 70.00 | |
| Tryon Second | 394.00 | | 50.00 | | |
| Warrior Mountain | 250.00 | | 35.00 | | |
| TOTALS | \$13,524.61 | \$43.50 | \$952.00 | \$451.58 | \$1,685.60 |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1978-79 UNBUDGETED ITEMS

Balance on hand October 1, 1978 \$ 64.15

Contributions:

| | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Churches | \$1,685.60 | |
| R.E.A. | 8.40 | |
| Rent | 200.00 | |
| Camp Dev. | 412.09 | |
| Gen. Fund (Borrowed) | <u>4,767.60</u> | |
| Total | \$7,073.69 | \$7,073.69 |
| Charles Owens | 1,000.00 | <u>1,000.00</u> |

TOTAL **\$8,137.84**

Less Expenses

Balance Ending September 30, 1979 \$1,578.35

Expenses:

| | |
|------------|-----------------|
| Interest | \$ 961.37 |
| County Tax | 142.12 |
| Plot | 6.00 |
| Payment | <u>5,450.00</u> |

TOTAL **\$6,559.49**

FINANCIAL REPORT 1978-79

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| Budgeted Items | | |
| Balance Beginning Oct. 1, 1978 | | \$15,819.28 |
| Contributions | | |
| Churches | | |
| Regular | \$13,524.61 | |
| Minutes | 43.50 | |
| W.N.C. Home | 952.00 | |
| A. Jackson (L.O.) | 451.58 | |
| Total | \$14,971.69 | |
| Baptist State Con. | 2,214.00 | |
| World Day Prayer | 53.64 | |
| Giles Ins. Refund | 123.00 | |
| Sem. Ext. Support | 127.50 | |
| Extension Fees | 157.75 | |
| Sale Supplies | 50.06 | |
| Bill Painter (Refund) | 160.00 | |
| Total Others | 2,885.95 | |
| Total Receipts | | 17,857.64 |
| Total to be accounted for | | 33,676.92 |
| Less Expenses | | 17,291.36 |
| Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1979 | | \$16,385.56 |
| Expenses: | | |
| M.R. Simpson | 3,640.00 | |
| Secretary | 1,560.00 | |
| Utilities | 1,508.00 | |
| Annuity | 433.42 | |
| Telephone | 280.17 | |
| Petty Cash | 253.60 | |
| Desk & Chair | 258.95 | |
| 2 Chairs | 142.00 | |
| Pacolet Hills (Upkeep) | 240.00 | |
| Mail Permit (Annual) | 40.00 | |
| A. Jackson (Love Off.) | 451.58 | |
| Minutes | 546.00 | |
| Projector, Screen | 767.09 | |
| World Day of Prayer | 53.64 | |
| V.B.S. | 64.65 | |
| W.M.U. St. Con. | 148.89 | |
| W.M.U. Ridgecrest | 171.00 | |
| Church T. (Ridgecrest) | 100.00 | |
| Sunday S. Materials | 88.69 | |
| Seminary Ex. (Refresh.) | 25.00 | |
| Seminary Ex. Dept. | 244.25 | |
| Fred Rhodes (Sem. Teacher) | 125.00 | |
| W.N.C. Homes | 1,000.00 | |
| Supplies | 231.95 | |
| Plaque (W.C. Pate, Sr.) | 24.88 | |
| Christmas G. (Simpsons) | 125.00 | |
| Campland Payment | 4,767.60 | |
| Total | \$17,291.31 | |

Constitution and By-Laws

ARTICLE I — NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N.C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE III — MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

ARTICLE IV — MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches: The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of 12 months following the associational meetings, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

ARTICLE V — ORGANIZATION

SECTION I. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's Nominating Committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the Nominating Committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

ARTICLE VI — COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

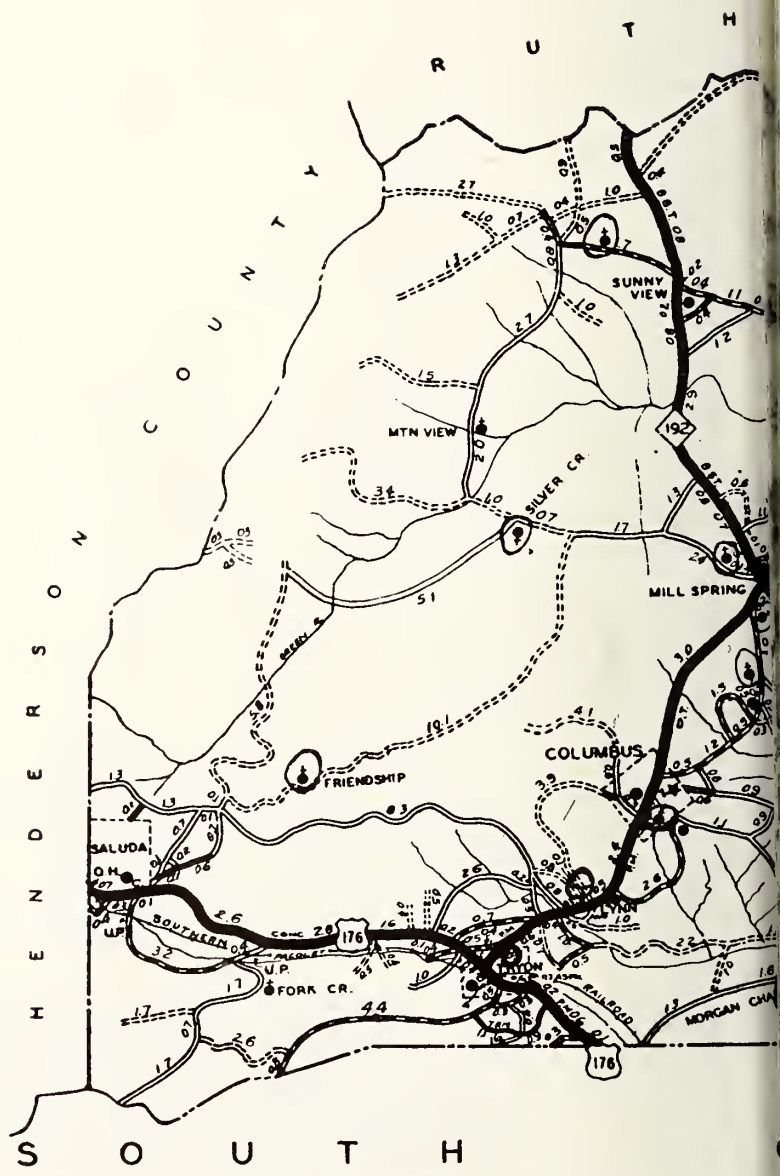
SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of \$1.50 each.

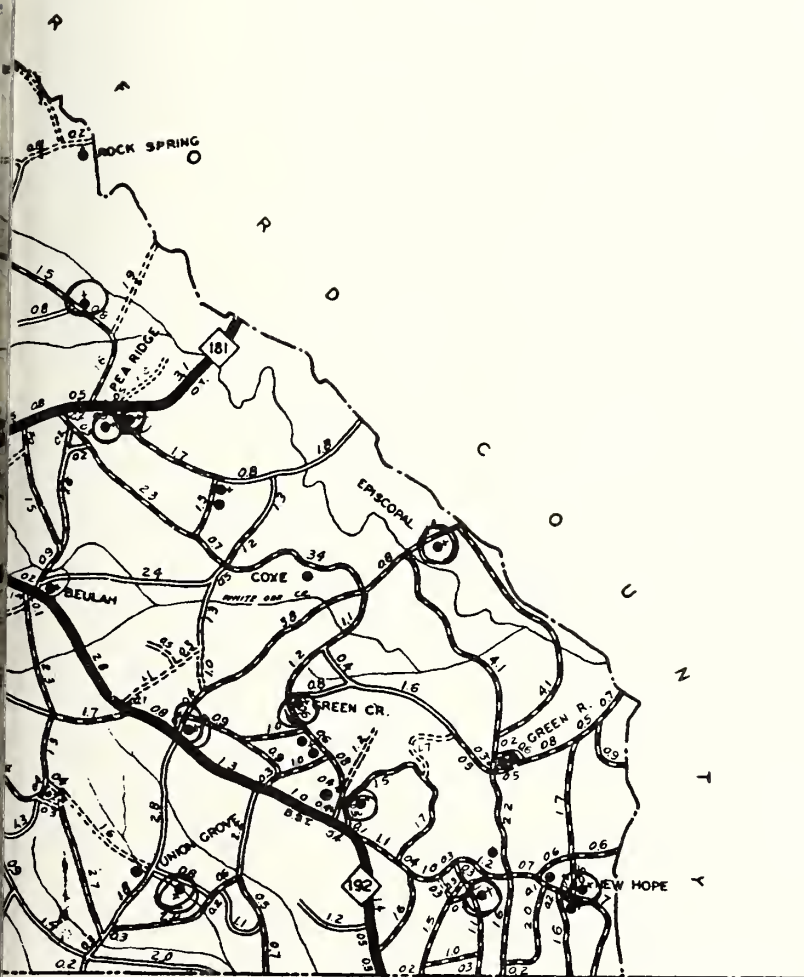
SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.





A R O L I N A

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs of the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.
2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustee: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE I — RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE II — PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

ARTICLE III — CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the Moderator or in the absence of the Moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The Clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the Clerk in the absence of the Clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding Historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an Auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the Treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

SECTION VIII. Superintendent of Missions:

PART 1. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a 30 day notice, or upon upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a 30 day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Superintendent shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AN ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In regard to the minutes of the association: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the Association shall be asked to pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, More than 150 - 20 copies.

PART 6. Our Association shall be grouped in to four groups. At the present time each group shall consist of five churches. If at a later date other churches should join the association equal distribution shall be made.

Group 1 - Cooper's Gap, Big Level, Pea Ridge, Byars, Faith Temple.

Group 2 - Silver Creek, Faith, Mill Spring, Midway, Beulah.

Group 3 - Green River, Sandy Springs, Hickory Grove, Morgan Chapel, Peniel.

Group 4 - Pacolet, Columbus, Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, Warrior Mountain.

Each group of churches will select a host and the other four shall be co-host to the Annual Meeting.



Memorials for 1979

It was "homecoming" for some of our dear ones in 1979. Each one called just makes Heaven a little more real to each of us left.

BEULAH: Mrs. Pearl Egerton, Mrs. Mamie Pittman, Mrs. Iva Thompson Price.

BIG LEVEL: Mr. Willie Gilbert, Mrs. Mary Sue Griffin.

BYARS: None.

COLUMBUS: Mr. Lester Abbee, Mrs. Lester Abbee, Mr. George Denton, Mrs. Enola Hardin, Mr. Ed Newman, Mr. Clyde Pittman, Mr. Sidney Smith.

COOPER'S GAP: Mrs. Gladys Pace, Deacon Buren Blanton, Mr. Farris Lawter, Mr. Calvin Owensby, Mrs. Inez Whitmire, Mrs. Mildred Lynch.

FAITH: Mr. Wyatt Arrowood, Mr. Frank Jackson.

FAITH TEMPLE: None.

GREEN RIVER: Miss Alice Millard, Mr. Belt Green, Deacon, Mr. Lyle Westbrook, Mr. Ronald Cantrell.

HICKORY GROVE: Mr. Walter Powell, Mr. Marvin Stott, Mrs. Minnie Colley.

MIDWAY: None.

MILL SPRING: Mrs. Bessie Moss, Mrs. Festes Coggins.

MORGAN CHAPEL: Mr. Judson Griswold.

PACOLET HILLS: Mr. Herbert Rimer, Mr. James E. Johnson, Rev. C.C. Tucker, Former Pastor.

PEA RIDGE: Mr. Ralph Scoggins.

PENIEL: Mrs. Dallie Ingle.

SANDY SPRINGS: None.

SILVER CREEK: Miss Alice Arledge, Mrs. Jackie Laughter, Mr. N.B. Arledge, Mr. Russell Arledge.

TRYON SECOND: Mr. J.J. Pittman, Mrs. Minnie Bradley.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: None.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 1979

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — JANUARY 7, 1979

1. Held at Faith Baptist Church at 2:30 P.M.
2. Purpose of the meeting - The interest on the camp land for the Association was overdue - two months.
3. A proposal was made by Mr. Jack Jolley, Chairman of the Trustees, that the Association borrow from the General Funds. The amount needed to catch up with the payment was \$4,729.83
4. The authority was given to the Trustees to have the land appraised and bring the appraisal before the Executive Committee.
5. After discussion the motion was made to approve Mr. Jolley's proposal. This motion was seconded and carried.

REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING -- FEBRUARY 4, 1979

1. The regular Executive Committee meeting was held at Midway at 2:30 P.M.
2. There were 25 people present with 11 churches represented.
3. Rev. T.G. Gentry brought an inspiring devotional.
4. The major business of the session dealt with our promise to give \$1000 to the new Western North Carolina Home For The Aging in Asheville.
5. This promise was made in 1976, but still was unpaid.
6. The Association voted to have the Treasurer send a check to the Home in Asheville. The churches were to reimburse the treasury with one dollar per resident member.
7. Rev. Painter presented the banner to Pacolet Hills for the highest attendance for "M" night.

REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — MAY 6, 1979

1. Representatives from 11 churches met at Midway Baptist Church at 2:30 P.M.
2. Rev. Ron Gilbert, Moderator, called the meeting to order and Rev. Bill Pate, Jr. led an inspiring devotional.
3. A discussion was held about another Seminary Extension Course for the fall and the possibility of one for the women.
4. The need of Audio-Visual materials was brought before the group and it was suggested that the Cave Plan be studied as to the feasibility of using it in the Association. Rev. Ron Gilbert and Rev. Simpson were appointed as the committee to investigate the possibilities of this.

REGULAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — AUGUST 5, 1979

1. Rev. Ron Gilbert called the regular meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 2:30 P.M. at Midway Church with 14 churches represented.
2. Rev. Herman Bright brought a challenging devotional.
3. Two new pastors were welcomed - Rev. Houston Moses, pastor at Mill Spring, and Rev. Steve Hardin, pastor at Pea Ridge.
4. Mr. Leroy McCraw announced the decision of the Time and Place Committee. Rev. Benson Hodge, Pastor of Pacolet Hills Church, will bring the annual message.
5. The Audio-Visual Aids Committee brought a recommendation that the Association purchase a 16M Movie projector and screen. The motion was made to purchase this and was carried.

6. Rev. Simpson expressed appreciation for the good response at Key Leadership Conference. He also stressed the importance of the North Carolina Missions Offering - six in one. It was agreed that Polk move the dates up and use the entire month of September in order to get the offering in the Church's letter.
7. The Nominating Committee submitted the following names for the vacancy on the General Board of North Carolina Baptist State Convention: Rev. Ron Gilbert, Rev. John Godfrey, Rev. Bill Hodge, and Mr. Grover Whitmire.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1979

1. A called meeting of the Polk Baptist Association was called on Sunday afternoon at Midway with 15 churches represented.
2. Rev. Houston Moses, pastor of Mill Spring, led a challenging devotional.
3. Rev. Arthur Smith was recognized as the new pastor of Sandy Springs.
4. Mr. Jack Jolley, Chairman of the Trustees, stated that our camp-land could not be sold at \$675 an acre, but they had received lower offers.
5. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw made the motion that we rescind the former motion. This was carried.
6. Mr. Jolley said that Mr. Vernon Horne, local realtor, could get \$660 an acre.
7. After some discussion Rev. Houston Moses made the motion that the land be left to the discretion of the Trustees as to the cost per acre.
8. The motion was seconded and a secret ballot followed with the motion passing.
9. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw passed out the Proposed Budget for 1980.
10. Rev. Simpson announced that the movie projector and screen were available to the churches and encouraged them to use them.

CALL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 1979

1. Members of the Executive Committee of Polk Baptist Association met at 2:30 P.M. at Mill Spring Baptist Church.
2. The purpose of this meeting was the recommendation by the Missions Committee that the Associational Office be moved to Mill Spring.
3. The two major reasons for this move were: (1) The office would be more easily accessible to the churches; (2) There were three rooms available and so more services could be rendered - more materials could be stored to be shared by the churches.
4. The Polk Association expressed sincere appreciation to Pacolet Hills Church for all the kindnesses and wonderful hospitality shown to the office for all the time spent in the church.
5. A letter of appreciation from the Association will follow.
6. The motion was made to make the move and the vote was unanimous.
7. The date of moving was to be after the Annual Meeting at Hickory Grove.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jean Painter, Associational Clerk



Director of Missions Report - 1979

I have finished a very busy, yet fruitful year, with you as your Director. I am happy that some good has been accomplished, but there is so much more that could have been done for Our Lord. My wife and I have been in all of the churches on many occasions, and hopefully we have made some contributions to the ongoing work of Bold Missions.

As an Association we have accepted the Bold Missions Thrust as our program, but have we caught the vision of what it is all about? The offerings to all causes are much greater than last year, but what about missions? Churches, are you committed to doubling your baptisms by 1982, doubling your Cooperative Program and gifts from that of 1978? Are we committed to be a part of seeing that every person in the world has an opportunity to hear the gospel by the year 2000? It will take EVERYONE of us SHARING and CARING to reach this goal. BOLD GROWING, BOLD GOING, and BOLD GIVING is going to mean more than "Just as last year" when we leave that same figure in our budgets on missions or any item. This idea of "the same as last year" might mean a vote to call home our missionaries from foreign, home or state fields. For the 19 churches in Polk Association - let's strive to "go the second mile." Let's resolve that we will move, forward, and that no negative action will result from any decision that we make. May we work together to meet these goals!

I have visited in either morning or evening services 116 times; preached 44 sermons; attended 35 meetings in the association, including pastors conferences. I taught the January Bible Study in six churches; preached in three revivals. I attended the State Baptist Convention, the Evangelistic Conference, Director of Missions Conference at Wingate College, Caraway Center, Mountain Director of Missions Conference at Boone, N.C., Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest, and Home Missions Week at Ridgecrest. I have traveled over 25,000 miles this year.

I have grown to love and appreciate you in Polk! I am grateful for your response to the first North Carolina Missions Offering. Bless you for your part in helping us make the transition from six to one offering. You cooperated so beautifully, and I feel sure that next year we will understand more clearly and we will all do a better job.

As you know we ran a contest in September to see if we could not add a spark of enthusiasm to our giving. You responded WELL! We are giving awards to the three churches having the highest per capita giving. At this time I would like to make these presentations. First place goes to Faith. Faith averaged over \$6 per capita member. Will someone from Faith please come forward to receive this? Second place goes to Warrior Mountain. This little church with 35 members average \$5 per capita. Please come forward, Warrior Mountain. We have really had excitement over third place - it seems three is the number! Three of you averaged around \$3 per capita. Since we didn't have time to average out to the penny, we would like to honor all three of you. Silver Creek, Peniel, and Cooper's Gap will you come forward? Bless ALL of you - Let us strive to do MORE next year for His glory.

I covet your prayers daily. My greatest desire is that POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION will catch the vision of what 19 churches CAN ACCOMPLISH WORKING TOGETHER FOR HIS GLORY.

In His service,
M.R. Simpson

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET
1979-80

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 300.00 |
| Church Training..... | 300.00 |
| W.M.U..... | 350.00 |

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| V. B. S. | 300.00 |
| Brotherhood | 200.00 |
| Music | 150.00 |
| Associational Speakers | 200.00 |
| Associational Minutes | 600.00 |
| Evangelism | 200.00 |
| Seminary Extension | 200.00 |
| Seminars | 200.00 |
| | <u>\$3,000.00</u> |

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

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|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Office Utilities | 360.00 |
| Printing and Supplies | 300.00 |
| Telephone | 350.00 |
| Petty Cash, Postage, etc. | <u>400.00</u> |
| | <u>\$1,410.00</u> |

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:

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|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Salary | 4,000.00 |
| Secretary | 1,700.00 |
| Utilities and Housing | <u>1,800.00</u> |
| | <u>\$7,500.00</u> |

IV. OTHER EXPENSES:

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Southern, State, Evang. Con. | 600.00 |
| Annuity | 400.00 |
| Christmas Gift | 200.00 |
| Youth Shelter | 200.00 |
| Association Travel (20¢ per mile) .. | <u>600.00</u> |
| | <u>\$2,000.00</u> |

GRAND TOTAL BUDGET

\$13,910.00

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
 Mrs. Jack Jolley
 Mrs. Charlene Pate
 Rev. Ron Gilbert
 Mrs. Roena Smothers

Resolutions Committee Report 1979

The Resolutions Committee presents the following resolutions:

(A) Resolved that the churches of Polk Association express sincere appreciation to Hickory Grove Church for their hospitality.

(B) Resolved that we express thanks to all sister churches who contributed a part in making the evening meal such a delicious occasion.

(C) Resolved that we recognize our W.M.U. Leader, Mrs. Roena Smothers, for her continued service to our Association. Her zeal and commitment is challenging to all of us.

(D) Resolved that we show our appreciation to Pacolet Hills for allowing us to have the Polk Association Office there for the past year. Their kindnesses are deeply appreciated.

(E) Resolved that we say "Thank you" to the Simpsons and all the Association officers and churches for their love and devotion to His cause.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

Church Music Report For Polk Baptist Association 1979

The challenges of Bold Mission Thrust have caught the attention of our denominational leadership and the leadership of our churches. The music ministry can be a part of this Bold Mission Thrust by being involved in vital congregational experiences, by strengthening the music leadership, and by becoming more aware of, and more involved in, music missions.

In the Word of God we find many references to music, whether it be singing or the playing of instruments; note these blessed words from Psalm 81:1-3:

1. "Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob."
2. "Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery."
3. "Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day."

We are commanded to "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord." It does not say if you have a trained voice to sing; it says make a joyful noise, and if that joyful noise is made to bring honor and glory to the Lord, and we are meeting the requirements set forth.

Church Music's theme for 1979-80 is "DEDICATED LEADERSHIP," and the theme song for the year is "We Are Called to Be God's People." (New Baptist Hymnal, No. 405.) The music theme of Dedicated Leadership focuses attention on providing meaningful worship experiences and committed leaders for the Music Ministry.

Encounters with God through Jesus Christ under the leadership of the Holy Spirit is the essence of meaningful worship. Christians need the nurture that comes from worship experiences with fellow believers. Music has a vital role in the church's worship as the congregation gathers to praise God and share testimonies of God's grace.

There is a need for committed leaders: leaders who have a sense of deep responsibility, who are loyal to their church, and who are willing to gladly go the second and third mile in their leadership roles. By their example they inspire and motivate others.

Let me share with you the four basic goals of our Associational Music Ministry in the Polk Baptist Association:

1. To encourage the churches in our Association to share leadership, music groups and musical resources with other churches for the benefit of all churches in the Polk Baptist Association;
2. To strengthen music in the congregational services in all the churches in the Polk Baptist Association;
3. To provide leadership training for all music leaders and interested members for the purpose of strengthening the total ministry in the local church; and
4. To seek to meet the musical needs of ALL the churches in the Polk Baptist Association.

If there is any way that I, as your Associational Music Director, can help you in your church music program, please feel free to call upon me.

The instruction of the Holy Spirit in Colossians 3:16 gives clear direction for the Music Ministry of the churches of our Association: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,
Charlene M. Pate,
Associational Music Director

Brotherhood Commission Report for 1979

Missions efforts of Southern Baptists through the Brotherhood Commission were marked last year by success and tragedy.

Responding to the Bold Mission Thrust concern of Southern Baptists, the agency led in preparing 325 Brotherhood training specialists to help state and associational leaders start new Brotherhood units and orient church leaders in involving men and boys in missions.

Brotherhood materials were prepared in Spanish, Korean, and Chinese and leaders were trained to interpret Brotherhood work in these Southern Baptist language churches.

Advance also was recorded in disaster relief, in lay renewal, and in World Missions Conferences.

On the national scene, the Commission arranged for President Jimmy Carter, a Southern Baptist layman, to challenge 8,000 at a Bold Mission Rally in Atlanta.

During the summer at Glorietta (N.M.) Baptist Conference Center the Commission joined with Woman's Missionary Union to offer a BOLD MISSION Leadership Conference which attracted 2,047 Southern Baptists.

While preparing to plan Brotherhood advances in the 1980's, Glendon McCullough, Executive Director of the Commission, was killed in an automobile accident.

Trustees asked a staff cabinet, organized earlier by the Executive Director to operate the agency until they elect a new chief administrative officer. Making up the cabinet are four section directors: Bob Banks, Program; Norman Godfrey, Ministries; Lynette Oliver, Business; and Roy Jennings, Communications. Godfrey serves as Convener.

During the next fiscal year the Commission plans to train 850 training specialists at 14 regional training institutes to interpret Brotherhood program improvements scheduled to reach Southern Baptist churches in September, 1979.

Other plans include 10 statewide mission prayer retreats for Baptist men, Cooperative Program prayer breakfasts in 400 Baptist Associations, involvement of 500 churches in the Bold New Laity program, and the staging of a three day National Royal Ambassador Congress for 4,000 Baptist Youth, age 12-17.

I would like to see more Brotherhoods organized in Polk Association. Men, if you could realize the blessings received from these wonderful fellowship meetings and the joy of helping others, I think you would like to have a part in this great work. It is CHALLENGING but how REWARDING! Faith Brotherhood painted the Youth Shelter Home in Forest City, N.C. There were three representatives from Polk at the workshop in Asheville. Brothers, let's MOVE OUT in 1980 for a GREAT year in Brotherhood.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Padgett
Brotherhood Director

Church Training Report for 1979

We have had a good year in Church Training. Our interest was begun with the BEST "M" Night in Polk Association! We had 175 people from 17 churches at Pacolet Hills Baptist Church. We were inspired and challenged to train and also enjoyed a great fellowship together.

It is sad but true that so few of our churches have Church Training. I visited several churches after "M" night in an effort to get a program started, but this is moving slowly. We hope to see others started soon.

My wife and I attended Church Training Week at Ridgecrest. We were blessed and came away with a greater ZEAL for Church Training. So far we have been trying to secure Directors for every level in Church Training. We hope to have the whole core of workers for next year and do a better job.

"M" night will be November 26 at Silver Creek Baptist Church. We have a goal set for at least 200 and are making plans for an interesting program. "M" night began in 1943 during World War II, and its purpose was to mobilize the men available to become active participants in the Church Training program. This tradition has now evolved into an annual associational rally during the fall to launch Church Training programs and introduce new periodicals and products for the coming year.

This year the theme is "Equipping For Mission" and will focus on the pastor's role to equip the "saints for the work of ministry." "M" night is one of the most exciting programs in the Polk Association. Won't you please be there?

Why not think Church Training in your church? If you do not have one NOW is the time to begin!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bill Painter, Director
Church Training for Polk Association

Audio-Visual Aids Report for 1979

We are moving along with our visual aids in Polk! Our area missionary, Rev. Luther Osment helped us to secure a filmstrip projector and it was such a help in taking the filmstrips about our foreign mission and home mission studies to the churches. We also had other filmstrips that were available to the churches.

Recently we have purchased a 16M projector and screen. This will be helpful to our churches that do not have them. There are so many good films that are free provided by our State Convention that we sincerely desire our people may have the opportunity to see many of them.

Let us "Open our eyes to see the world around us and open our ears that we may hear and understand the needs of our world!"

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Millie Simpson

Christian Higher Education Report 1979

When North Carolina Baptists call the college-university roll, there are seven reasons to be grateful and proud: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest, and Wingate. These are seven of 53 colleges and universities supported and nurtured by state conventions within the Southern Baptist Convention.

According to the latest figures printed by the Education Commission, SBC, of the 134,000 students attending the 53 Baptist Colleges in the Convention, almost 20,000 are enrolled in our North Carolina schools. Thus 15% of all Baptist college enrollments are located in this state.

The 1978-79 year witnessed change and progress. Enrollments were stable; budgets were balanced; Wingate College made history by graduating the first senior class; Campbell, once known as a senior college, announced a name change to Campbell University; the Campbell Law School graduated its first class; and churches all across the state answered the Council's request for names and addresses of prospective college students. In the main, it was a very good year for Baptist colleges.

All North Carolina Baptists are now aware of the current discussions between Wake Forest and the Council Committee to study the Wake Forest University Proposal. Many hours of study and work have been given by that committee, and this work will continue at least until the Convention meets in Winston-Salem on November 11-14, 1979. The Council will make its recommendation to the General Board, and the General Board will report and recommend to the Convention.

The Council on Christian Higher Education joins in encouraging the churches to elect responsible and informed messengers to the Convention. Decisions made concerning the continuation of the Wake Forest-Convention relationship will affect the life and work of the Convention and Wake Forest for many years to come.

We thank you for supporting the colleges. We call upon the churches to pray for all of our Baptist work, including the colleges. We look toward the crucial decisions in the fall with confidence in North Carolina Baptists, who have been supporting Christian higher education for almost 150 years.

Baptist Student Union Report 1979

Baptists in the Polk Association have been blessed by the fruitful efforts of the Baptist Student Union. In November we are given the opportunity to have Ministerial Day, resulting in ministerial students filling pulpits across Polk County. The Cooper's Gap Baptist Church received manifold blessing through the Baptist Youth Corps this summer as they enjoyed 10 most rewarding weeks with their youth worker this summer.

Respectfully submitted
John T. Godfrey,
B.S.U. Representative

The W.M.U. Annual Report 1979

This has been a wonderful year in Polk for W.M.U.! We are beginning to realize the true significance of changing our life styles and are growing in fellowship and service. We are thankful to each church in our Association, and the support we have had for our W.M.U. work. Two new organizations have begun. Both are Baptist Young Women, and they are really doing a great work. Columbus and Morgan's Chapel are the two churches who have begun this fine work.

This past year we had good attendance at our meetings and our conferences. The Foreign Missions Study, "The Brazilian Obsession" and the Home Mission Study, "California Journey" were well received. God really poured out his blessings at our World Day of Prayer and our Prayer Retreat. We have been challenged and inspired in so many ways.

We are excited about our W.M.U. work for 79-80. We have a full slate of directors plus a Mission Action Director. We had 10 ladies to attend the State W.M.U. Workshop at Ridgecrest.

Here are our themes for the year. For the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions it is "Among All Nations" - December 2-9. The Lottie Moon goal is \$40,500,000. For the Home Mission Week the theme is "We Cannot Keep From Telling" - March 3-10. The Annie Armstrong goal is \$15,500,000.

The 1979-80 W.M.U. Emphasis "Life Changing Commitment." The process of literally changing your lifestyle is simple enough, but it is not easy. Change is an ongoing condition of existence. Change can equal growth to a Christian.

The 1979-80 Denominational Emphasis is: "What Can Bold Mission Thrust Mean to W.M.U.?" The purpose of Bold Mission Thrust is stated in simple terms, yet it has a profound meaning to the work of Women's Missionary Union. This statement of purpose of the Southern Baptist Church is to understand, accept, and become involved in the missions to enable every person in the world to have the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel of Christ by the year 2000. In order to achieve this purpose, churches must make spiritual preparation. W.M.U. can have a significant part in this preparation through prayer. Spiritual preparation will provide the springboard for accomplishing these goals and objectives: BOLD GROWING! BOLD GOING! BOLD GIVING!

W.M.U. LET'S REACH THOSE OUTSIDE THE CHURCHES!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Roena Smothers,
Director of W.M.U. of
Polk Baptist Association

North Carolina Baptist Foundation 1979

"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." I Corinthians 4:2

Since January 1, 1979, the Foundation staff with the assistance from Rev. James B. McQuere, retired Director of Missions of the South Fork Baptist Association, an intensive effort has been made through conferences over the state to familiarize as many pastors as possible of the helpful services provided by the Baptist State Convention through the North Carolina Baptist Convention. The Foundation is available to assist individual Baptists with their estate planning, regardless of the size of the estate. Many of the most significant and meaningful gifts to support the Christian ministries through the denomination have been directed through the Foundation as trustee. These services are available from the trained staff and their professional support (accounting and legal services) employed for this purpose without cost to individual participants. Where an individual desires to be a part of sharing the gospel beyond his or her lifetime, the establishment of a trust with the Foundation provides a tangible participation in such activities.

The Foundation has been actively engaged in assisting individuals in not only having their Wills redrafted, but also in the preparation and establishment of annuity trusts. Through such a trust, an individual or couple can place in trust assets (such as property, cash or securities) and receive income for the remainder of their lives. After death, the income from the trust will be paid to the donor's choice(s) of Baptist missions work and/or institution. This method of giving provides the satisfying knowledge of being a faithful steward in utilizing resources more completely for the Lord's ministries, as well

as taking advantage of the laws of our land in reducing taxation on resources - both income and estates.

A personal and private appointment with a Foundation staff member can be arranged either through your pastor, Associational Director of Missions or by writing or calling the Foundation office. The address is: Box 26508, Raleigh, NC 27611.

Home Mission Report for 1979

The total gifts to the Home Missions Board, including the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, were \$25,299,805 - 17½% increase over 1977. Personnel includes 275 employees at the HMB office, 2,830 missionary force, with 159 persons appointed in 1978, about 145 mission pastors received financial assistance. Special Mission Ministries included 21,600 volunteers participating in Home Mission work. Many were young people volunteering for one or two weeks as part of a Mission Youth group. Almost 500 adults volunteered through short-term Christian Service Corps, working in church extension, language missions and interfaith witness, 13 college professors worked directly in Missions, 1,400 college students volunteered for 10 weeks and 550 college students spent spring holidays or other short vacations serving in missions. We have 15 full time missionaries and 22 US-2ers supervised by the Special Ministries program.

Ministries program.

Polk Association had a part in this work. We are proud to have a young man from our Association serving in Pioneer Missions in Ohio. Phillip McCall left for this work in the summer. We covet your prayers for him.

We had a part in the Annie Armstrong Offering, too. Let's have a larger part in 1980 as we help meet the goal of \$15,500,000.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Judy Arledge, Representative

Foreign Missions Report for 1979

The purpose remains "that repentance and remission of sin should be preached in His name among all nations (Luke 24:47). Once again for the third consecutive year, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has reached new height in total board appointments. In all categories appointments totalled 350, a 25 per cent increase over 1977. The 181 new career missionaries exceeded career appointments for the highest previous year (1963) by five per cent. Appointed were 36 missionary associates, 95 journeymen, and eight special project medical workers. Southern Baptist Foreign Missions had a net missionary personnel gain of 130 in 1978. At the end of the year the missionary staff totalled 2,906. Included were 224 missionary associates, 183 journeymen, and 12 special projects medical workers.

In addition to missionaries sent out under full Foreign Mission Board responsibility, the board arranged for 2,866 persons to participate in volunteer involvement projects overseas. All these are in line with the objective of the Bold Missions Thrust calling for increase in lay involvement.

1978 Southern Baptist Contributions for foreign missions totalled \$64,995,017. Approximately 50 per cent of the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program funds is made available annually for foreign missions. Still urgently needed on overseas fields are land, buildings and equipment amounting to several million dollars worth. As an overall missionary personnel picture begins to express new boldness, the finan-

cing for world missions must also show a Bold new thrust. We as Southern Baptists have a responsibility to continue to provide these funds so everyone will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Jesus.

We have a privilege to help in promoting the "Good News" to ALL the world. Last year we had a small part in this goal. Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was \$8,841. This year let's set a goal of \$10,000. We should go over this goal. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal has been set at \$40,500,000. Let's help reach this goal!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Judy Arledge, Representative

History of Hickory Grove Baptist Church

The Hickory Grove Baptist Church was organized July 13, 1906. The 31 charter members were:

Billy and Sara Barnett
Jess Barnett
W.E. and Cora Chitwood
Bess Culbreth
George and Emera Green
Oscar Green
Walter Green
Will and Vinnea Grigg
Anna Hutcherson
Grayson and Mary Lovelace
Barnett and Amina McSwain

Otis and Mary McSwain
Eva Pittman
Luther Pittman
Rufus Pittman
China Powell
John and Betsy Powell
J.G. and Irene Raburn
Cal Stott
Jarvis and Mary Jane Stott
Mrs. Redd Walker

The first church building was built of wood. Preaching service was held one Sunday each month and Sunday School every Sunday.

In July of 1933 the church was completely destroyed by fire, and a brush arbor was used for services until a brick structure was completed in 1934.

In 1963 a parsonage was built on land donated by Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Stott. An educational building and a baptistry were added to the church building in 1973. Carpet was installed in the educational building this year.

Hickory Grove Baptist Church now has a membership of 268, and worship services are held every Sunday morning and night. There are 180 enrolled in Sunday School and 84 enrolled in Church Training. The church has mid-week prayer service and all W.M.U. age level groups.

The church has recently called Rev. Bill Hodge as pastor.

In the 73 year history of the church there have been 13 pastors:

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| Rev. R.J. Tate | 1906-1912 |
| Rev. Elbert Jackson | 1913-1914 |
| Rev. C.F. Felmont | 1914-1915 |
| Rev. W.G. Lindsey | 1915-1917 |
| Rev. H.G. Liner | 1917-1920 |
| Rev. J.P. Felmont | 1921-1929 |
| Rev. A.T. Howard | 1930-1947 |
| Rev. Robert Owens | 1948-1958 |
| Rev. Perry Whisnant | 1959-1963 |
| Rev. Ducey Green | 1963-1964 |
| Rev. Gary Lockee | 1965-1973 |

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian



HISTORICAL EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE YEAR 1979

BEULAH: Pastor celebrated 20th year with church.

BIG LEVEL:

BYARS: Bought more property adjacent to church.

COLUMBUS: Organized church choirs - Organized Baptist Young Women - Purchased church van - Carpeted Educational Building - Added Chapel.

COOPER'S GAP: Installation of complete new water supply for church. Air conditioned first level of church. Installed new ceiling in pastorium - Wrought iron hand rails for both parking levels.

FAITH: Ordination of Phillip McCall. Baptist Women sponsored a child in the Children's Home. Brotherhood painted the Youth Shelter Home.

FAITH TEMPLE: Bought organ. Received clear deed for land.

GREEN RIVER: Built new pastorium.

HICKORY GROVE:

MIDWAY:

MILL SPRING: Called a new pastor.

MORGAN CHAPEL: Paid off debt for remodeling Fellowship Building.

PACOLET HILLS:

PEA RIDGE:

PENIEL:

SANDY SPRINGS:

SILVER CREEK: Purchased a 15 passenger Dodge Van.

TRYON SECOND: Remodeled sanctuary, Educational Building, including new lights, sound system, stained glass windows, padded seats, and hymnals.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN: New windows - Completed Church insulation.



Statistical Tables

| TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL | | YEAR ENDING SEP. 30, 197 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| CHURCHES | | SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| REGULAR | | Gene Champion Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | 6 | 13 | 20 | 12 | 7 | 25 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101 | 82 | 0 | 101 |
| BIG LEVEL | | John Hayes, Rt. 1, Mill Springs, 28756 | | 0 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 0 | 6 | 17 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 92 | 92 | 0 | 0 | 92 |
| BYARS | | Roy Price, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 0 | 3 | 8 | 13 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 54 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 54 |
| COLUMBUS | | Charlie Fegam, Rt. 1, Box 45, Columbus, 28722 | | 0 | 20 | 54 | 21 | 4 | 28 | 49 | 22 | 0 | yes | 4 | 0 | 202 | 112 | 0 | 0 | 202 |
| COOPERS GAP | | Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 13 | 23 | 27 | 43 | 24 | 49 | 69 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 279 | 175 | 1 | 12 | 291 |
| FAITH | | Billey McCall, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 0 | 10 | 14 | 17 | 7 | 13 | 28 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 108 | 65 | 0 | 0 | 108 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | Roger Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 1 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 8 | 11 | 17 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 83 |
| GREEN RIVER | | Suford Harris P.O. Box 103-R1, Chesnee, 29323 | | 0 | 13 | 20 | 24 | 0 | 21 | 13 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 112 | 63 | 0 | 0 | 112 |
| HICKORY GROVE | | Earl Steadman Rt. 1, Box 29-A, Landrum 29356 | | 12 | 11 | 49 | 17 | 7 | 12 | 40 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 191 | 133 | 3 | 59 | 250 |
| HOMAY | | E.S. Burnette, Jr. Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 51 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 51 |
| MILL SPRING | | Claude, Pack Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 1 | 5 | 17 | 10 | 13 | 16 | 8 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 147 | 43 | 0 | 0 | 147 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | | Roy Laughter Rt. 3, Campobello 29322 | | 0 | 12 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 16 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 51 | 0 | 0 | 74 |
| PACOLET HILLS | | Kevin Whitwood Royce St., Landrum 29356 | | 1 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 67 | 45 | 1 | 12 | 67 |
| PEA RIDGE | | Preston Souyer Rt. 1, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 0 | 12 | 8 | 30 | 0 | 7 | 35 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 117 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 117 |
| PENIE | | Calvin Owens 108 Rickert Ave. Landrum 29356 | | 0 | 18 | 28 | 9 | 16 | 22 | 30 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 149 | 91 | 0 | 0 | 149 |
| SANDY SPRINGS | | Clark Strickland, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton 28139 | | 0 | 6 | 18 | 23 | 10 | 8 | 22 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 109 | 79 | 0 | 0 | 109 |
| SILVER CREEK | | Lloyd Jackson Rt. 2, Mill Spring, 28756 | | 6 | 12 | 18 | 3 | 11 | 8 | 27 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 111 | 69 | 0 | 0 | 111 |
| TYNOR SECOND | | Roy Surrell, Tryon 28782 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 53 |
| WARRIOR MTN. | | Donald Byrd, Rt. 1, Saluda, 28773 | | 0 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 35 | 19 | 1 | 20 | 35 | 19 |
| TOTALS | | | | 41 | 200 | 339 | 286 | 123 | 263 | 493 | 254 | 6 | 4 | 76 | 0 | 2,135 | 1,347 | 6 | 103 | 2,135 |



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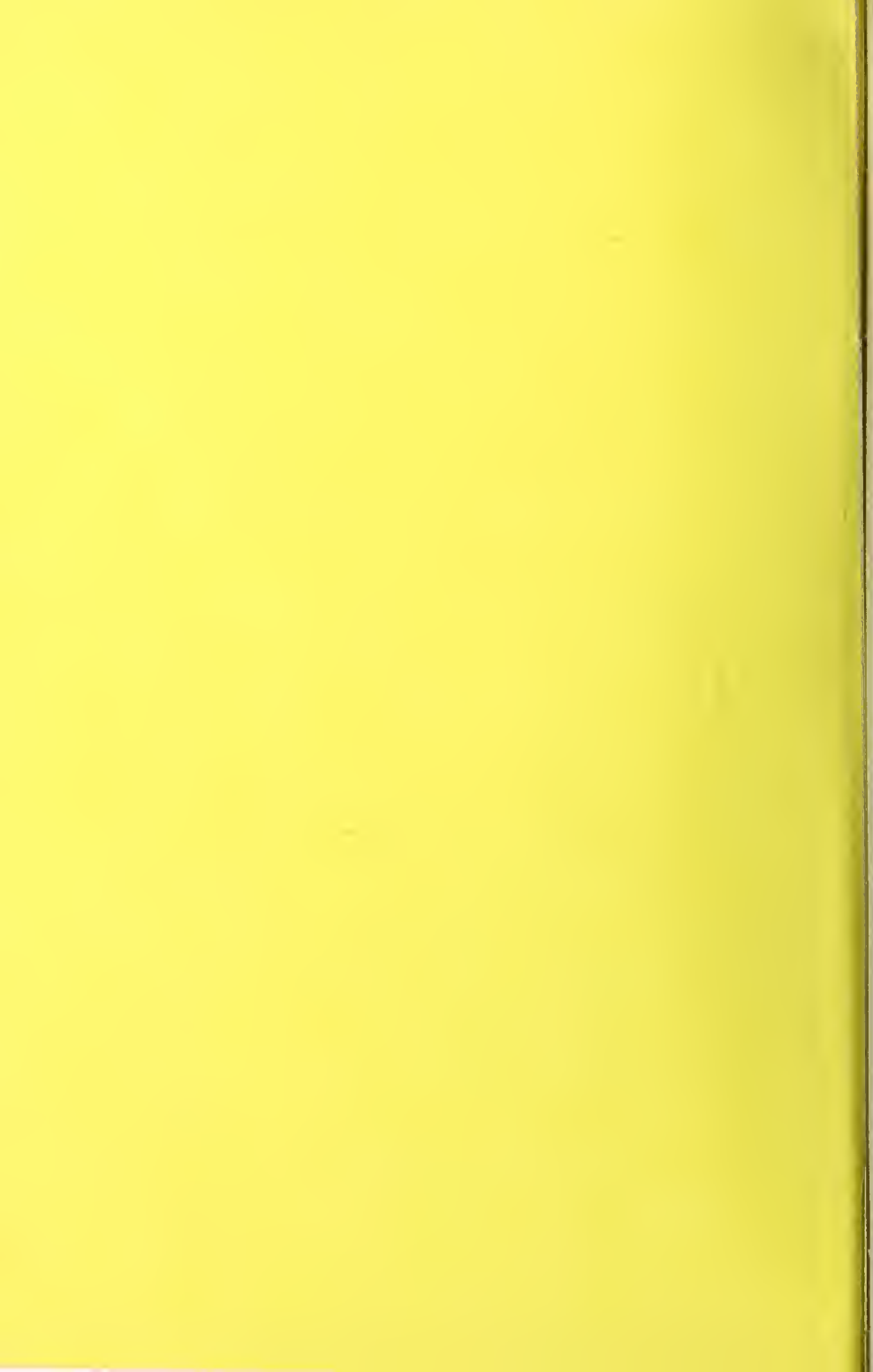
| TABLE 2 WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION | | | | YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1977 | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Enrollment | | | | | | Total ongoing WMU enrollment | | | | | | | | | |
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| NORTH CAROLINA | | SOUTH CAROLINA | | 29 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| CHURCHES | | SOUTH CAROLINA | | 29 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEULAH | Mrs. Doris Champion Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| BIG LEVEL | None | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
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| COLUMBUS | Mrs. N.L. Masternick, Box 73, Columbus 28722 | None | None | None | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| COOPERS GAP | Mrs. Joyce Jackson Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| FALCH | Mrs. Herbert Rhodes, Mill Spring 28756 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| FAITH TEMPLE | Mrs. Eleanor Cantrell, 112 Stephens St., Tryon 28782 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | Mrs. Annie Lyles Rt. 4, Box 186 Rutherfordton 28139 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| HICKORY GROVE | Mrs. Doris Stott Rt. 1, Landrum 29356 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| MID-WAY | None | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| MILL SPRING | Mrs. Elizabeth Martin Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | Mrs. Anna Campbell Rt. 1, Landrum 29356 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| PACOLET HILLS | Mrs. Elsie Edwards Rt. 1, Landrum 29356 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| PEA RIDGE | None | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| PENIEL | Mrs. Donnel Flynn 119 Warrior Mtn. Rd., Tryon 28782 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Mrs. Eunice Jolley, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29123 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| SILVER CREEK | Mrs. Miriam Arledge Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| TRYON SECOND | None | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| WARRIOR MTN. | Mrs. Donald Byrd Rt. 1, Saluda 28773 | None | None | None | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | | | | 7 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 33 | 42 | 56 | 27 | 27 | 110 | 43 | 0 | | | | | | | | | 305 | | | | | | | | |

| TABLE F BROTHERHOOD | | | | | | | | | |
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| Association | | | | | | | | | |
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| YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1977 | | | | | | | | | |
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| North Carolina | | | | | | | | | |
| Associated Brotherhood Director | | | | | | | | | |
| MR. JERRY FADGETT | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | | | | | | | | |
| 205 N. LYLES AVENUE | | | | | | | | | |
| City LANDRUN, State SOUTH CAROLINA Zip 29356 | | | | | | | | | |
| BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | 116 | 117 | 118 | 119 | 120 | 121 | 122 | 123 | 124 |
| | Crossed | Pioneers | SA director and committee | Baptist Men enrollment | Baptist Men enrollment | Baptist Men enrollment | Witnessing or Lay Renewal | Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers | Forwarded of missions |
| | (5-11 years or Grades 1-5) | (12 years or Grades 7-12) | | | | | | | |
| BEULAH | None | | | | | | | | |
| BIG LEVEL | None | | | | | | | | |
| BYARS | None | | | | | | | | |
| COLUMBUS | 9 | 8 | 3 | | | | | | 20 |
| COOPERS GAP | None | | | | | | | | |
| FAITH | Jerry Fadgett 205 N. Lyles Ave. Landrum 29356 | 3 | 2 | 9 | | | | 1 | 17 |
| FAITH TEMPLE | None | | | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | None | | | | | | | | |
| HICKORY GROVE | Wayne Denton Rt. 1 Tryon 28782 | 5 | 10 | | | | | | 15 |
| MID-WAY | None | | | | | | | | |
| MILL SPRING | Larry Strickling Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | None | | | | | | | | |
| PACOLET HILLS | None | | | | | | | | |
| PEA RIDGE | None | | | | | | | | |
| PENIEL | None | | | | | | | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | Charlie Jolley Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 8 | | | 1 | 18 |
| SILVER CREEK | Kenneth Williams Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | 12 | | | 1 | 13 |
| TYRON SECOND | None | | | | | | | | |
| WARRIOR MTN. | Gene Anderson Box 194 Saluda 28773 | 8 | | | | | | | 8 |
| TOTALS | 22 | 31 | 6 | 29 | | | | 3 | 91 |

| TABLE 6 TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STIPENDIUM | | YEAR ENDING 9/30/1977 | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---|----|---------------|--|--|--|---------------------|-----|-----|-------------------|-----|-----|-------------------|-----|-----|--------|-----|-----|---------|--|--|
| Association | | 21 | 22 | 23 | Budget allocation or emphasis used during the year | | | 148 | 147 | 146 | 145 | 144 | 143 | 142 | 141 | 140 | 139 | 138 | 137 | 136 | | |
| POLK | | Number of titlers | | | Forward Program | | | All Forward Program | | | Tithe Commitment | | | Simplified Budget | | | None | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget | | | Associational missions goal as percent of total budget | | | Tithe Commitment | | | Simplified Budget | | | None | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | CITY | | | COLUMBUS | | | State N. C. | | | Zip 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER | | MRS. JACK JOLLEY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ADDRESS | | ROUTE 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | TITHESMEN & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEULAH | BIG LEVEL | Ronnie Champion, Box 337, Tryon 28782 | | | 25 | | | 8 | | | 5 | | | 33,503 | | | 170 | | | 33,673 | | |
| | | Floyd Dyer Rt.2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 41 | | | 10 | | | 5 | | | 32,557 | | | 199 | | | 32,757 | | |
| BYARS | | Mrs. Hubert Russell Rt.1, Mill Springs 28756 | | | 13 | | | | | | 8,250 | | | 8,250 | | | 8,250 | | | 8,250 | | |
| | | Mrs. Frances Pace P.O.Box 74 Columbus 28722 | | | 30 | | | 12 | | | 2 | | | 55,904 | | | 55,904 | | | 55,904 | | |
| COLUMBUS | COOPERS GAP | Mrs. Ailene Wilson Rt.2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 30 | | | 10 | | | 3 | | | 74,860 | | | 74,860 | | | 74,860 | | |
| | | Mrs. William Arledge Rt.2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 54 | | | 5 | | | 3 | | | 28,315 | | | 528 | | | 28,315 | | |
| FAITH | FAITH TEMPLE | Arnold Odum Rt.2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 25 | | | 3 | | | | | | 8,045 | | | 8,045 | | | 8,045 | | |
| | | James Deck Rt.4, Rutherfordton 28139 | | | 25 | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 71,683 | | | 71,683 | | | 71,683 | | |
| GREEN RIVER | HICKORY GROVE | Oris Powell Rt.1, Landrum, South Carolina 29356 | | | 32 | | | 3 | | | 5 | | | 40,950 | | | 40,950 | | | 40,950 | | |
| | | John Gibbs, Columbus 28722 | | | 22 | | | | | | | | | 22,712 | | | 22,712 | | | 22,712 | | |
| MID-WAY | MILL SPRING | Henry Hunsinger, Rt.1, Box 183, Mill Spring | | | 23 | | | 5 | | | | | | 16,722 | | | 16,722 | | | 16,722 | | |
| | | Mrs. Rachel Dill Rt.3, Campobello 29322 | | | 23 | | | | | | 39,334 | | | 39,334 | | | 39,334 | | | 39,334 | | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | PACOLET HILLS | Mrs. Joyce Ann Scott Rt.1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 13 | | | | | | | | | 15,500 | | | 15,500 | | | 15,500 | | |
| | | Kenneth Edwards Rt.1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | 30 | | | | | | | | | 25,620 | | | 25,620 | | | 25,620 | | |
| PRA RIDGE | PENIEL | Albert Durham Rt.1 Landrum 29356 | | | 40 | | | 1 | | | | | | 36,885 | | | 36,885 | | | 36,885 | | |
| | | Mrs. Edna McGraw Rt.1, Rutherfordton 28139 | | | 40 | | | 2.5 | | | | | | 37,950 | | | 37,950 | | | 37,950 | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | SILVER CREEK | Mrs. Loyd Jackson Rt.2, Box 40 Mill Spring 28756 | | | 40 | | | 2 | | | 4 | | | 32,802 | | | 32,802 | | | 32,802 | | |
| | | Mrs. Viola Henderson Lake Lanier Rd., Tryon | | | 20 | | | 7 | | | 3 | | | 14,710 | | | 1,176 | | | 15,886 | | |
| TYRON SECOND | WARRIOR MTN. | Shirley Anderson Box 194 Saluda 28773 | | | 12 | | | 10 | | | 5 | | | 7,065 | | | 7,065 | | | 7,065 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | | | | 538 | | | | | | | | | 60,3367 | | | 2,073 | | | 605,441 | | |
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| Association | | | | | | | | | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | |
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| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Director of Association Missions | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MARSHALL R. SHIPSON | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P. O. BOX 711 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| COLUMBUS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCH CLERGS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODES) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEULAH | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ronnie Champion Rt. 1, Box 337 Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | 138 | 139 | 140 | 141 | 142 | 143 | 144 | 145 | 146 | 147 |
| BIG LEVEL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Leonard Greene Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8VARS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Hubert Russell Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| COLUMBUS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. N. L. Masterick P. O. Box 73, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| COOPERS GAP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Pat McGuinn Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FAITH | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Jack Jolley Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FAITH TEMPLE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Doris Blackwell, Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Pauline Hanson Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HICKORY GROVE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Doris Steadman, Rt. 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MID-WAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E. S. Burnette Jr. Rt. 1, Columbus 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MILL SPRING | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Hazel Huntsinger Rt. 1, Box 183 Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MORGAN CHAPEL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Edith Thompson Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PACOLET HILLS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Joyce Ann Stott Rt. 1, Landrum 29356 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PEA RIDGE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Jeannette Rickman Rt. 1, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PENTEL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bill Holbert Rt. 1, Tryon 28782 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SANDY SPRINGS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Miss Dominic Turner Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SILVER CREEK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Boyce Jackson Rt. 2, Mill Spring 28756 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TRYON SECOND | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Donnie Pace Rt. 2, Columbus 28772 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WARRIOR MTN. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mrs. Donald Byrd Rt. 1, Saluda 28773 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24,238 13,850 2,279 3,641 9,631 89 2,208 506 888 11,023 44,185 68,423 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |





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COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION



THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF
POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Of
Columbus, North Carolina

Meeting With
COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH
October 23, 1980

Rev. John Godfrey, *Moderator*

Mrs. William Painter, *Clerk*

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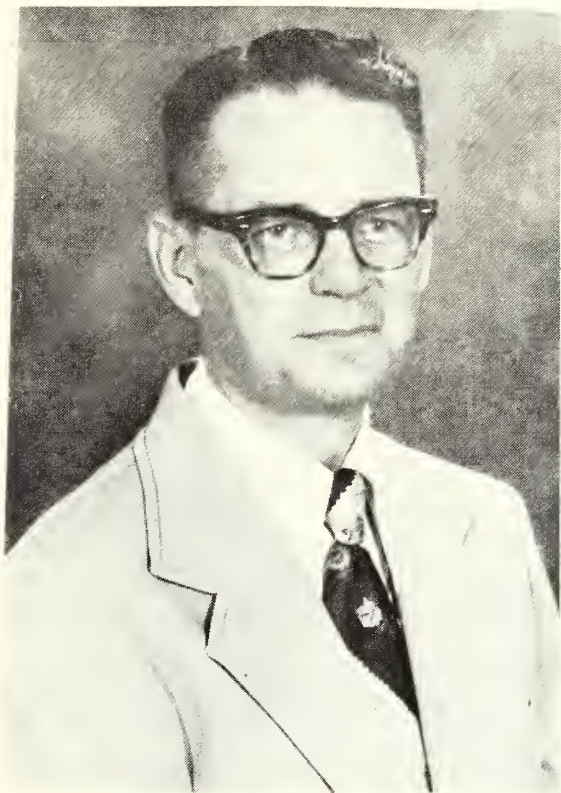
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IN MEMORY OF BILL HODGE
1934-1980

On September 10th God called one of our faithful servants home. Rev Bill Hodge had been serving the church at Hickory Grove for over a year as pastor. Previously, he served in many capacities as a wonderful layman. Not only does Hickory Grove feel a great loss but all of our Polk Association as Bill spent many hours each day in service to his fellowman. Bill served under the greatest of physical pain and stress. On September the 10th God felt that Bill had been serving faithfully and obediently long enough, and so He said, "Well done, Bill! Now I will take you home and make you ruler over more in My Kingdom."

What a challenge this gives to each of us! What words will Our Master say to us?

We are grateful for the privilege of knowing and loving Bill Hodge. This Book of Reports is dedicated to his memory and his example set before us of a dedicated Christian life that will live on in many lives for years to come.



DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Moderator | Rev. John Godfrey |
| Vice Moderator | Rev. Houston Moses |
| Clerk | Mrs. William Painter |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Jack Jolley |
| Historian | Mrs. Miriam Arledge |
| Parliamentarian | Rev. William Pate, Jr. |
| Director of Missions | Rev. M. R. Simpson |

DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Sunday School | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Church Training | Rev. William Painter |
| V.B.S. Director | Mrs. Melba Gregory |
| W.M.U. Director | Mrs. Roena Smothers |
| Brotherhood Director | Mr. Jerry Padgett |
| Music Director | Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. |

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| American Bible Society | Rev. Herman Bright |
| Annuity Board | Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. |
| Baptist Children's Home and Youth Shelter | Mr. Leroy McCraw |
| Baptist Foundation | Mr. Jack Jolley |
| Baptist Home for the Aging | Rev. Steve Hardin |
| Baptist Hospital | Rev. William Painter |
| Baptist Student Union | Mrs. Loretta Hodge Vance |
| Christian Action League | Mr. John Lynch |
| Christian Education | Mrs. Helen Godfrey |
| Christian Literature | Mrs. Donald Byrd |
| Christian Stewardship and the Cooperative Program | Rev. George Lynch |
| N. C. Missions | Rev. Arthur Smith |
| Home and Foreign Missions | Mrs. Judy Arledge |
| Radio and T.V. Commission | Rev. Henry Owensby |
| N.C. State General Board | Rev. John Godfrey |

OFFICERS OF THE PASTORS CONFERENCE

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| President | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| Vice President | Rev. Arthur Smith |
| Secretary-Treasurer | Rev. Houston Moses |

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

October 23, 1980 - Columbus Baptist Church

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Polk Baptist Association met October 23, 1980 at 2:00 P.M.

Our call to worship hymn was led by Mrs. Charlene Pate, Associational Music Director.

Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. conducted our devotional thoughts followed by the welcome by the host pastor, Rev. Fred Rhodes.

The Declaration of the 11th Annual Program was given by the Moderator, Rev. John Godfrey, with the adoption of the program by Rev. Houston Moses.

Rev. Marshall Simpson, Director of Missions, presented the Book of Reports.

Visiting at this meeting was Mr. Calvin Knight from the Baptist Hospital.

The Moderator called for any old business. None was expressed. Then he called for new business. Rev. Boyce Bradshaw was recognized and recommended that we buy a video tape machine for \$1200.00 using part of the \$2500.00 that we had requested from the state convention and had been approved. Voted by ayes. No opposition.

The Moderator then called for other new business.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw spoke to us concerning the Associational Budget. He asked that \$800 be added to the budget for music and \$300 be added for youth work. Voted by ayes. No opposition.

Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., representing the Annuity Program asked all churches participating in the program to upgrade their program to 10%.

The Baptist Hospital report was given next and Mr. Calvin Knight spoke in behalf of the hospital. He challenged our hearts with his message concerning the work at the Baptist Hospital.

Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr. requested that the constitutional change listed on page 10 of the Book of Reports be made. Motion made with a second that these changes be made by three-fourths majority vote. Voted by ayes.

Mr. Hugh Starnes, representing the Baptist Home for the Aging, stressed the importance of the home for the aging.

Motion was given for the adoption of reports by Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr. Seconded.

A new church, Pleasant Grove, was welcomed into our fellowship.

Our congregational hymn, "To God Be The Glory" was led by Mrs. Pate after which we enjoyed a special song by Mrs. Pate.

Rev. Marshall Simpson led us in our Dedication of the Book of Reports to Rev. Bill Hodge, faithful servant of God. Following the dedication Rev. Lee Gregory led in prayer.

Our Annual Sermon was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He based his thoughts on the subject of "Leftovers." He used the text Nehemiah 10:35-39.

Here are some challenging truths from this message:

We give God the leftovers of:

1. Our life — We should be consecrated, responsible.
2. Our time — We have time for everything else.

3. Our talents — Use them wisely, be faithful.
4. Our tithes — Do we rob God?
5. Our churches — Do we attend regularly and assume our part?

We enjoyed a fifteen minute break with delightful refreshments served by the host church.

The Christian Literature report was given next. Mrs. Byrd spoke briefly, and turned the time over to Rev. Coy Prevette.

Rev. Coy Prevette spoke in behalf of the *Biblical Recorder*. He challenged the ones who weren't taking the Recorder to do so. It costs less then 7 cents per week.

Rev. Prevette also spoke on the Christian Action League. This is a vital part of our ministry. It was shocking to hear that 19% of our 17 million teenagers are hooked on alcohol. The drug problem is acute.

The following organizational reports were given:

1. Sunday School . . . Rev. Boyce Bradshaw
2. Church Training . . No report given
3. Brotherhood . . . Mr. Jerry Padgett
4. W.M.U. Mrs. Roena Smothers
5. Music Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr.
6. V.B.S. Rev. John Godfrey

The Executive Committee Report was given by the Associational Clerk, Mrs. William Painter. She expressed her appreciation to the local church clerks for their promptness in getting in their reports.

The Finance Report was given by Mrs. Jack Jolley, and this was followed by the Committee on Committees Report by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw.

The Nominating Committee Report was given by Rev. Lee Gregory.

Mrs. Miriam Arledge gave the Historian Report.

Mrs. Charlene Pate led in a hymn, "Standing on the Promises."

The Time, Place, and Preacher Report was given by Mr. Joe Owensby.

Rev. Houston Moses gave the Evangelism Report.

The Associational Missions Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He expressed his appreciation for the fine work that is being done by our Director of Missions. He encouraged us to strive to be more grateful to them and show our appreciation.

There was a motion made from the floor that we accept the Pleasant Grove Church into full fellowship in our Association. Voted by ayes. There was no opposition.

Rev. Simpson brought to our attention some errors in the Book of Reports.

Rev. Luther Osment was recognized and spoke to us concerning work at the Baptist Children's Home. He stated that the children in the home were 6% orphans, 24% have one living parent, and 70% have both parents living.

Because we were running ahead of schedule we went ahead with the Missions Committee. Mrs. Judy Arledge spoke concerning Home and Foreign Missions.

Rev. George Lynch spoke to the group concerning Stewardship. He encouraged all of the churches to give more through the Cooperative Program and stated that his church had made a big increase in their budget for the Cooperative Program.

The Moderator, Rev. John Godfrey, left the chair to confer with the host pastor. Rev. Houston Moses, Vice Moderator, presided in his absence, and called Rev. William Painter, Church Training Director, to give his report. Rev. Painter expressed his appreciation for all the work being done in Church Training. He also expressed his desire for a good attendance for "M" night which will be held November 24th at Sandy Springs Church. He also encouraged those churches who do not have Church Training to begin a program.

The Memorial Report was given next. The names were read by Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw with background music by Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. A poem, "There Is No Death" was read by Mrs. Bradshaw. Mrs. John Godfrey then sang "I Am Satisfied." This part of the program was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Bradshaw.

There was a motion for the adoption of the reports. Seconded.

The Vice-Moderator recognized the host pastor, Rev. Fred Rhodes, who gave the instructions concerning the evening meal.

EVENING SESSION — *October 23, 1980 - Columbus Baptist Church*

Following a delicious meal served by the Columbus Baptist Church, with help from Pacolet Hills, Tryon Second, and Warrior Mountain, the meeting was called to order by the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Houston Moses.

Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. led in singing, "Redeemed How I Love To Proclaim It."

Rev. Steve Hardin, Pastor of Pea Ridge Baptist Church, gave the scripture reading followed by prayer.

There was a call for unfinished business and there was none.

A motion was made for the adoption of the reports and the program. Voted by ayes. No opposition.

In the absence of Mrs. Larry Stott the Resolution Report was read by Rev. Marshall Simpson.

All that were present were delighted with the special music brought by the Associational Choir under the direction of Mrs. Charlene Pate. This was followed by the Peniel Quartet who brought two messages in song.

The message of challenge was brought by Rev. Luther Osment. We were richly blessed as Rev. Osment paraphrased Mark 2. Surely all of us were challenged to "pick up our corner of the blanket," and work together for His glory!

A benediction and prayer of dedication for all the new officers who will guide the work of Polk Baptist Association in 1980-81 closed the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. William Painter,
Associational Clerk

PROGRAM FOR ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Our Theme Song: *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

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| 2:00 | Call to Worship . . . "We Are Called To Be God's People" . . . Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. <div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 10px;">Music Director for Association</div> Scripture and Prayer Rev. Ralph Hipp Welcome - Host Pastor Rev. Fred Rhodes |
| 2:15 | Declaration of 11th Annual Program Rev. John Godfrey Adoption of Program Rev. Houston Moses Presentation of Book of Reports Rev. M. R. Simpson <div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 10px;">Director of Missions</div> Introduction of New Personnel and Visitors Moderator |
| 2:30 | Business Session |
| 2:40 | Associational Budget Rev. Boyce Bradshaw Annuity Rev. Bill Pate |
| 2:50 | Baptist Children's Homes and Youth Shelter Mr. Leroy McCraw Baptist Homes for the Aging Rev. Steve Hardin Baptist Hospital Rev. Bill Painter Baptist Foundation Mr. Jack Jolley |
| 3:20 | Adoption of Reports Hymn No. 41 "To God Be The Glory" Mrs. Pate Special Music |
| 3:35 | Annual Sermon Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| 4:05 | Break (15 Minutes) |
| 4:20 | Hymn No. 137 - "Praise Him, Praise Him" |
| 4:35 | American Bible Society Rev. Herman Bright Christian Education Mrs. Helen Godfrey Baptist Student Union Mrs. Loretta Vance Christian Literature Mrs. Donald Byrd Christian Action League Mr. John Lynch |
| 4:55 | Reports of Organizations Sunday School Rev. Boyce Bradshaw Church Training Rev. William Painter Brotherhood Mr. Jerry Padgett W.M.U. Mrs. Roena Smothers Music Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr. V.B.S. Rev. John Godfrey |
| 5:25 | Executive Committee Report Mrs. William Painter |
| 5:30 | Finance Report Mrs. Jack Jolley Committee on Committees Report |
| 5:40 | Nominating Committee Rev. Lee Gregory |
| 5:45 | Historian Mrs. Miriam Arledge Hymn No. 226 - "Standing on the Promises" |

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| 5:50 | Time, Preacher, Place Report. | Mr. Joe Owensby |
| 5:55 | Evangelism. | Rev. Houston Moses |
| 6:00 | Association Missions Report | Rev. Boyce Bradshaw |
| 6:05 | Memorials | Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw |
| 6:15 | Adoption of Reports Recognition of Host Pastor | |
| 6:20 | Break For The Evening Meal | |

EVENING SESSION

Our Theme: *"Growing Stronger Churches In Polk Association"*

Hymn No. 203 — "Redeemed, How I Love To Proclaim It"

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| 7:00 | Scripture and Prayer | Rev. Steve Hardin |
| | Special Music | |
| 7:15 | Missions - Christian Stewardship | |
| | State Missions. | Rev. Arthur Smith |
| | Home and Foreign Missions. | Mrs. Judy Arledge |
| 7:30 | Stewardship | Rev. George Lynch |
| 7:40 | Business (Additional and Unfinished) Adoption of Reports and Program | Moderator |
| 7:55 | Resolutions | Mrs. Larry Stott |
| 8:00 | Polk Baptist Associational Choir. | Mrs. Charlene Pate, Director |
| 8:15 | Message of Challenge | Rev. Luther Osment |
| | Benediction - Prayer of Dedication of New Officers | |

Adjourn until October 22, 1980 at Pea Ridge Baptist Church

Our Theme Song - *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

We are called to be God's people, Showing by our lives His grace;
One in heart and one in spirit, Sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how he has changed us, And remade us as His own,
Let us share our life together, As we shall around His throne.

We are called to be God's servants, Working in His world today,
Taking His own task upon us, All His sacred words obey.
Let us rise, then, to His summons, Dedicate to Him our All,
That we may be faithful servants, Quick to answer now His call.

We are called to be God's prophets, Spokesmen for the truth and right;
Standing firm for Godly justice, Bringing evil into light,
Let us seek the courage needed, Our high calling to fulfill,
That mankind may know the blessing, Of the doing of God's will.

Polk Baptists, let us Build Stronger Churches in 1980-81! SET GOALS to INCREASE your Sunday Schools, Worship Services, and every phase of W. M. U. and Brotherhood! Witness as never before! Let us keep the Revival flame burning! God bless you for coming! Good Night!

LICENSED AND ORDAINED MINISTERS IN OUR ASSOCIATION

Who Are Not Pastors At The Present Time

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| BEULAH. | Rev. Charles Arledge, Route 1, Tryon, N. C. 28782 |
| BIG LEVEL. | None |
| BYARS. | None |
| COLUMBUS. | None |
| COOPER'S GAP. | None |
| FAITH. | Rev. James Owens, Route 1, Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| FAITH TEMPLE. | None |
| GREEN RIVER. | None |
| HICKORY GROVE. | Rev. Cleveland H. Burnett, Route 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356 |
| MIDWAY. | Rev. William Mills, Route 1, Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| | Rev. Herman Case, Route 1, Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| MILL SPRING. | Rev. Fred Seigfried, Route 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| MORGAN CHAPEL. | None |
| PACOLET HILLS. | None |
| PEA RIDGE. | None |
| PENIEL. | Rev. W. C. Pate, Sr. (R), Star Route, Box 126-B, Black Mtn., N. C. 28711 |
| | Rev. Ralph Cochran, Route 1, Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| PLEASANT GROVE. | Rev. Roberson Bailey, Route 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | Rev. Paul Stepp, (R) Route 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | (L) Mr. David Gevedon, Route 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | (L) Mr. Lonnie Bailey, Route 5, Rutherfordton, N. C. 28139 |
| SANDY SPRINGS. | None |
| SILVER CREEK. | None |
| TRYON SECOND. | Rev. Albert Teague, Inman, S. C. 29349 |
| WARRIOR MOUNTAIN. | None |

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES FOR 1980

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| BEULAH. | Rev. Dillard Davidson, Rt. 1., Tryon, N.C. 28782 |
| | Mr. Hugh Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N. C. 28782 |
| | Mr. Ronnie Champion, Rt. 1, Tryon, N. C. 28782 |
| BIG LEVEL. | Mr. Joe Owensby, 306 Georgia St., Spindale, N. C. |
| BYARS. | Rev. Henry Owensby, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | Mr. Marvin Wilson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | Mr. Jimmy Ponder, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| COLUMBUS. | Rev. Fred Rhodes, Blanton St., Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| COOPER'S GAP. | Mr. Glenn Burgess, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| | Mr. Zeno Lancaster, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |
| FAITH. | Mr. James Owens, Columbus, N. C. 28722 |
| | Mrs. Judy Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 |

FAITH TEMPLE. Mr. Robert Painter, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756
Mr. Jeff Reid, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756
Mr. Arnold Odom, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756

GREEN RIVER Mr. James Deck, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N. C. 28139
Mr. Joe Miller, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S. C. 29323

HICKORY GROVE. Mr. Charles Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356

MIDWAY. Mr. John Gibbs, Columbus, N. C. 28722

MILL SPRING Rev. Houston Moses, Box 36, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756
Mr. Henry Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Box 183, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756
Mr. Ted Pack, Rt. 1, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756

MORGAN CHAPEL. Mr. Roy Laughter, Rt. 3, Campobello, S. C. 29322

PACOLET HILLS Mr. Steve Henderson, Rt. 1, Tryon, N. C. 28782

PEA RIDGE. Mr. Jack Morris, Rt. 4, Rutherfordton, N. C. 28139
Mr. Kenneth Edwards, Rt. 1, Mill Springs, N. C. 28756

PENIEL. Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Rt., Box 42, Tryon, N. C. 28782
Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 42, Tryon, N. C. 28782
Mr. Albert Durham, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356
Mr. Homer Pittman, Rt. 1, Landrum, S. C. 29356

SANDY SPRINGS. Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, Rt. 1, Chesnee, S. C. 29323
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCraw, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton, N. C. 28139

SILVER CREEK. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson, Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756

TRYON SECOND. Rev. Aaron Pruitt

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN. . . . Mr. Gene Anderson, Box 194, Saluda, N. C. 28773
Mr. Donald Byrd, Box 405, Saluda, N. C. 28773

PLEASANT GROVE - This church will be received into our Association at the Annual Meeting and will secure Executive Committee Members later.

MESSENGERS TO THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING FOR 1980

- BEULAH — Mrs. Irene Biggerstaff, Clois Jackson, Edith Arledge, Stella Searcy, and Rex Arledge.
- BIG LEVEL — Mr. Henry Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. General Haynes.
- BYARS — Rev. and Mrs. Henry Owensby, Mr. Gene Wilson, Mr. Jimmy Ponder.
- COLUMBUS — Mrs. Joe Tallent, Mrs. Nick Masternick, Mrs. Martha Hill, Miss Opal Cloud, Mrs. Karen Wiggins; Alternates — Mrs. Frances Edwards, Mrs. Frank Pack, Mr. Ervin Gillie.
- COOPER'S GAP — Mr. Clyde Smith, Mr. Henry Steppe, Mr. Burch Corn, Mr. Paul Whitesides, Mr. Grover Whitmire, Mrs. Coleen Corn, Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Miss Carol Whitmire.
- FAITH — Mrs. Judy Arledge, Mrs. Judy Jackson, Mrs. Doris Lynch, Mr. James Owens
- FAITH TEMPLE — Mr. Roger Painter, Miss Pearl Gilbert, Mr. Arnold Odom.

GREEN RIVER — Rev. and Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Miller, Mrs. Docia Green, Mrs. Inez Shytle.

HICKORY GROVE — Mrs. Reba Hodge, Mrs. Edna Stott, Mrs. Blanche Raburn, Mrs. Roena Smothers.

MIDWAY — Mr. Ronald Bradley, Mr. John Ford, Mr. Lewis Mills.

MILL SPRING — Mrs. Ruby Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Broadus Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wilson, Mrs. W. O. Parker, Rev. and Mrs. Fred Siegfried.

MORGAN CHAPEL — Mrs. Cleo Laughter, Mr. Dale Fox, Mrs. Ann Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Holbert; Alternates — Mrs. Anna Campbell, Mrs. Mildred Lisle.

PACOLET HILLS — Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Elsie Edwards, Mr. Kevin Chitwood, Mrs. Ellen Flynn, Mrs. Pat Flynn.

PEA RIDGE — Mrs. Catherine Phillips, Mr. C. T. Hudson, Mrs. Jeanette Carswell, Rev. Hardin.

PENIEL — Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Pate, Jr., Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Pate, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Russ Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Durham, Mr. Dean Pittman, Mr. Charles Jackson.

SANDY SPRINGS — Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jolley, Mr. Scott Cudd, Mr. Leroy McCraw, Mrs. Marie Powell, Mrs. Beulah Turner, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Smith.

SILVER CREEK — Mrs. Madge Russell, Mrs. Melba Gregory, Mrs. Nellie Edwards, Mrs. Genelle Jackson, Mrs. Mattie Arledge.

TRYON SECOND — Rev. and Mrs. Aaron Pruitt, Mrs. Juanita Gosnell, Rev. Albert Teague.

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Mrs. Mary Gravely, Mrs. Elma Bright, Mr. Gene Anderson, Mrs. Donald Byrd.

PLEASANT GROVE — We are happy these will be at our meeting: Mr. Roberson Bailey, Mr. Jerry Laughter, Mr. Bobby Moore, Mrs. Carolyn Smith, and Mrs. Florence Ruff.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT 1980-81

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS

Rev. M. R. Simpson, Chairman
 Rev. Bill Pate
 Rev. Houston Moses

BUDGET AND FINANCE

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
 Rev. John Godfrey
 Mrs. Roena Smothers
 Mrs. Charlene Pate
 Mrs. Jack Jolley

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Rev. W. C. Pate, Jr., Chairman
 Mr. John Gibbs
 Rev. George Lynch

EVANGELISM

Rev. Houston Moses
 Rev. Henry Owensby
 Rev. Lee Gregory
 Mr. Glenn Burgess

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Consists of all Officers and
Directors of Departments

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Fred Rhodes, Chairman
Rev. Steve Hardin
Mr. Leroy McCraw

ORDINATIONS

Rev. Houston Moses
Rev. Arthur Smith
Mr. Grover Whitmire
Rev. George Lynch
Mr. Buford Harris

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Rev. Bill Pate, Chairman
Mr. Leroy McCraw
Rev. Bill Painter

PROGRAM AND CALENDAR

General Officers and Heads
of Departments

PLACE AND PREACHER

Mr. Ray Skipper, Chairman
Mr. Henry Huntsinger
Mr. Clifford Stott

RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Mrs. Ladd Edwards
Mrs. JoAnn Moses

MEMORIALS

Mrs. Doris Bradshaw, Chairman
Mrs. Helen Godfrey
Mrs. Charlene Pate

LIBRARY

Mrs. Millie Simpson

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Joe Owensby, Chairman
Rev. Steve Hardin

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. Larry Denton, Chariman
Mr. Larry Thompson
Miss Bethene Burrell
Mr. Mitchell Pack
Mr. Norman Morgan

ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR COORDINATOR

Mr. A. E. Morgan

TRUSTEES

Mr. Jack Jolley
Mr. Ted Owens
Mr. Earl Taylor

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Rev. John Godfrey
Rev. Houston Moses

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Since its founding 164 years ago, the American Bible Society has offered the peoples of the world more than 3 billion opportunities to read at least some portions of God's Word. Starting out with a distribution of 6,410 Bibles in 1816, the ABS has through the years steadily increased its ministry of sharing the Scriptures to reach its current annual distribution rate of more than 250 million Bibles, New Testaments, Portions and Selections.

In many overseas areas there were extremely encouraging increases in the number of people reached with God's Word. More than one million Scriptures reached the people of Uganda during the year (an increase of 90%). Four areas of Asia more than doubled their distribution of Scriptures in 1979. The newly published complete Bible in the Spanish "Version Popular" ("Dios Hable Hoy") helped to achieve a 10% increase in Bible distribution in Latin America. Twenty-seven languages were added in 1979 to the list of languages and dialects in which at least one book of the Bible has been published. The number of languages in which at least one book of the Bible has been published as of December 1979 was 1,685.

The tremendous advances achieved for the Bible cause during 1979 were made possible because of gifts received from organizations such as the Southern Baptist Convention. In 1979 SBC gave \$286,200. This is only \$0.022 per capita. So much more needs to be done if Southern Baptists would just increase the giving to \$0.04 annually.

The ABS asks that Bold Mission Thrust be just as bold in Scripture distribution as in other areas of mission work. Only then can we be certain of having the Scriptures available that the Southern Baptists need around the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Herman Bright, Representative

EVANGELISM REPORT FOR 1980

This has been a GREAT year for Evangelism in Polk! First, there was a Seminary Extension Course on Evangelism which was very good. It made us aware of the needs of people around us.

Then our Association held its first Associational Revival. The pastors did the preaching, and Mrs. Pate led our first Associational Choir. It was a great success, and in fact, there are requests being made that we have another in 1981. I appreciate most sincerely the help of all who made this successful.

The local church can plan a perennial program of Evangelism by having a local church task force on evangelism and list evangelism priorities by setting specific goals. The church can outline a plan of action and can use the evangelism planbook.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Houston Moses, Chairman

BROTHERHOOD REPORT FOR 1980

On August 1st the Brotherhood Commission added two associate directors to the Baptist Men's Division. Added to the Baptist Men's Division were Larry Yoder, 36, of Richmond, Virginia and Frank Black of the commission staff. Mr. Yoder will specialize in curriculum and training, and Mr. Black will major on men's ministry projects. Mr. Yoder was associate secretary of the Baptist Men's Department for Virginia Baptists. Mr. Black was a twenty-five year employee of the Brotherhood Commission and he directed the Crusader Department of the Royal Ambassador Division.

Mr. David P. Haney, Director of the Baptist Men's Division, called the creation of the two new staff positions the initial step in preparation for a major new thrust in lay involvement.

The goal of one million men in missions during the 1980's is an integral part of these staff additions and of a new approach in curriculum and training.

November 8th two thousand Baptist lay people are expected to arrive early in Greensboro for a pre-session of the Baptist State Convention. The pre-session meeting at First Baptist Church, Greensboro, labeled the North Carolina Baptist Men's Convention will begin at noon on Saturday, November 8th, with a barbeque luncheon. The luncheon will be a reunion for laymen who have been on short-term (one or two weeks) missions projects to various parts of the nation and world. Lay missions activities will be featured in all four sessions of the Men's Convention. Sunday afternoon there will be a message from Vance Havner, and Sunday night the 350 voice choir from Brushy Mountain Association will sing. The closing message will be given from a member of the Billy Graham Team, Dr. Grady Wilson.

I wish that it were possible for men from all of Polk Association to attend this Brotherhood Meeting in Greensboro. You would be challenged and inspired by hearing all of the great things the laymen in our Southern Baptist Convention are doing. I am so pleased to report that we are having more interest shown in Brotherhood. At present we have nine Brotherhood Organizations. Two new ones have been started. It is my prayer that the men will want to become involved in our Bold Mission Thrust. One group has been thinking about some construction work in West Virginia. This is exciting! I hope they will follow through.

Men, let us wake up! Let us join in this great missionary task that challenges Southern Baptists! We can help reach the goals if we will all work together.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Jerry Padgett, Brotherhood Director

THE ANNUITY BOARD REPORT FOR 1980

While serving Southern Baptist Churches and agencies in 1979, the Annuity Board marked a period of "achievement, ministry and growth in practically every phase of its work," according to Dr. Darold H. Morgan, president.

Here are some key statistical highlights for 1979:

1. The 13th check amounting to 10 per cent of a year's benefit was mailed to most annuitants in December 1979.
2. A total of \$19,131,539 in retirement benefits was paid.
3. Insurance benefits through the Board's church, agency and seminary programs amounted to \$13,067,338.
4. Total assets held in trust at the close of the year equaled \$667,521,987. This figure represented a growth of \$97,787,516 over 1978's total.
5. Premium income totaled \$69,548,849, including contributions and relief receipts. A total of \$35,348,300 was designated for the Fixed Fund Investment Plan, \$2,332,869 was earmarked for the Balanced Fund and \$12,121,729 went into Plan A. Insurance premiums totaled \$14,291,178.
6. At the close of 1979, the Board counted 22,879 church and agency member accounts in Plan A; 43,927 in the Fixed Fund Investment Plan; 4,934 in the Balanced Fund, and 3,941 in the Variable Fund.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1980, 3,046 staff members of 2,316 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program.

Through March 31, 1980, we had processed the following:

77-Southern Baptist Retirement Program applications; 14-applications for age retirement benefits; 3-applications for disability benefits; 6-widows claims.

In Polk Association 11 churches and 11 staff members are participating in our retirement program. Of this number 6 are still participating on the minimum of \$33.34 per month. There is a great need to upgrade this to 10% of total salary for staff members.

I would like to see all of our churches participating in this program and showing concern for the welfare of your pastor and his family.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. William C. Pate, Jr. Representative

THE TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER REPORT FOR 1980

The Time, Place and Preacher Committee recommends that the Polk Baptist Associational Annual Meeting for the year 1981 meet at follows:

Place: Pea Ridge Baptist Church

Time: October 22, 1981

Preacher: Rev. George Lynch

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Joe Owensby, Chairman

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC. REPORT

This is the 60th birthday for the North Carolina Baptist Foundation.

Chartered in 1920, it was born out of a need to provide a channel for gifts and bequests which would be held in trust. Thus Baptist people were enabled to have a continuing part in support of every mission effort, every ministry of Baptists, even after their own deaths. Through these sixty years, your Baptist Foundation has received, administered, and distributed gifts to Baptist colleges, Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, foreign and home missions, state missions, Baptist Hospital, churches, associations, the Cooperative Program. The Foundation receives no money for its own use - it only serves as trustee for all these Baptist causes.

Born of a bold idea, it fulfills its mission today giving each Baptist the opportunity to be part of Bold Missions now - and forever!

The Foundation accepts gifts for Baptist causes in a variety of ways. The most frequently used method is a testamentary gift. This is simply a transfer of assets through a Will. During the past year, the Foundation Staff has attempted through Pastors' Conferences, senior citizens groups, Baptist Women and Baptist Men groups and through personal conferences with individuals to enable the people to extend their stewardship beyond life through the use of a Will. A touching and dramatic film, "A Better Way" depicting the necessity for every adult to have a Will has been made available by the Foundation for distribution to any church or group requesting it from the Film Library Department of the Baptist State Convention.

A second way the Foundation receives gifts to support Baptist causes is through charitable trusts. Trusts have been established through Wills, through purchase of gift annuities and through establishment of annuity trusts.

The Foundation has received Memorial gifts to deceased loved ones. A fund to assist Fruitland Bible Institute has been created. Gifts of real estate for the support of Southeastern Seminary, local churches and foreign missions have been received. One annuity trust was established with the income, after the death of the annuitants, to be used by the Foreign Mission Board in its effort to assist in the fight against world hunger.

During the past year, through the many ways it is able to accept gifts, new trusts have been established with combined assets of \$650,000. Additions to existing trusts, providing for scholarships, mission offerings, memorials and many other causes, were more than \$370,000. The audit of Foundation records for the year ending December 31, 1979 revealed total increase of assets for the year was \$1,018,681.00 with total assets of the Foundation being \$5,115,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Jack Jolley, Representative

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT FOR 1980

The Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Incorporated, is an Institution of the Baptist State Convention and provides a Christian ministry of child care and family services. During the past three years, members of the administrative staff of the Homes completed an indepth evaluation of the Institution's total program of services. We share "The advancement of this mission and ministry requires (1) wise and resourceful leadership, (2) a well trained and highly skilled staff who really care for children, (3) a carefully planned program of child care and family services, (4) appropriate physical facilities, (5) adequate funds and sound fiscal policy, and (6) the confidence and support of an informed and devoted constituency."

At this time the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Incorporated, is in a position of strength. This strength comes ultimately from God and is discoverable in the commitment, the competence, and the faithful work of His people engaged in this ministry.

This is not a time for complacency in child care and family services in North Carolina. It is a time for rigorous study, reflective planning, earnest prayer, and courageous action.

Progress is being made in implementing recommendations from the Trustee Evaluation more adequately to make all services of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina readily available to people who need our help anywhere in the state. Nine Family Services areas are being designated as follows: Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Kinston, Pembroke, Raleigh, Hickory, Jacksonville, and Ahsokie.

The lives of more than forty-five hundred people were affected in a significant way by the services of the Children's Homes during the past year. Fifteen hundred of these were children for whom you helped to provide care and related services. While serving children and young people, work was being done with important adults in their lives.

Necessary to the fulfillment of the mission of the Children's Homes are people resources, financial resources and spiritual resources. We are blessed with all of these. You, along with many other friends, assure us of your continuing concern for the well-being of neglected and dependent children through your prayers, through your giving and through various types of involvement. Members of our Board of Trustees and members of our staff, with your assistance, are dedicated to a continuing Christian ministry to children and members of their families.

THERMAL BELT YOUTH SHELTER REPORT FOR 1980

Our Association is happy to have a small part in the Thermal Youth Shelter. This is filling a GREAT NEED in young lives and the administrators are doing a wonderful work. In the next year we have increased our gift to this good cause. We have

an active committee on this shelter as this is part of our Social Services Committee. We trust that our people will become involved with this worthy center next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Leroy McCraw, Representative

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1980

The Sunday School is the Greatest Bible teaching organism anywhere. More people learn about Christ through Sunday School than in any other way.

We have more materials to help the Sunday School teachers than ever before. The Sunday School Leadership magazine is designed to help Sunday School workers. This is a magazine for building a growing Sunday School.

There are training programs throughout our State Convention to help our churches in equipping themselves for better Bible teaching. In 1980 our Assist Team will attend two training sessions. They will be able to help train Sunday School workers in our churches. Sunday School Directors, I encourage you to take advantage of all Sunday School training opportunities. Then you can lead your workers in a more effective teaching program.

We had 17 Sunday School workers present at the Key Leadership Conference at Peniel Church.

In September at the Pastor-Director Workshop we had 13 people from 7 churches represented. This representation was below 1979, but we were happy for those who attended.

May 1980-81 be a great year in Sunday School in Polk Baptist Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Director
Sunday School

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1980

This year has been a great year for Vacation Bible School in Polk Baptist Association. A good pre-clinic was held in the Spring at Cooper's Gap Baptist Church with the workers' clinic at Hickory Grove Baptist Church. All nineteen of our churches had schools in their respective churches this year with a total enrollment of 1,276, average attendance of 999, and 24 professions of faith. The total enrollment of schools last year was 992 showing an increase of 284 in 1980 Vacation Bible Schools. There were nine churches who had adult classes in Bible School. Fifteen of our churches used Southern Baptist Bible School material.

Miss Beth Burrell led three Associational Backyard Bible Schools with a total enrollment of 64. This makes a grand total increase of 348. To God be the Glory!

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. John Godfrey, V.B.S. Director

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL FOR 1980

During the past year, our hospital has again received accreditation for the maximum period, two years, by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Only about one-third of the hospitals in the nation receive the full two-year accreditation.

Our hospital is constantly upgrading its staff, facilities, and equipment. In recent months, a carbon dioxide surgical laser has been added. The laser emits an invisible beam of light which vaporizes tissues, cutting and coagulating at the same time. It is used now for delicate surgery of the larynx, upper respiratory tract, and lungs. It has potential, also, for surgery of other internal organs.

New ultrasound equipment provides improved accuracy in determining location and degree of blocked arteries. The department of dentistry is being expanded to meet an increasing need for specialty dental services. An occupational therapist has been added to the staff to help patients recover functional skills lost through accident or disease. A new instrument has been acquired for testing infants with suspected hearing loss.

The financial counseling section is now better prepared to assist those who need its service. Through a special arrangement with Forsyth County Social Services Department, social workers and a counselor for the State's Crippled Children's Program are now stationed in the hospital and are immediately available to patients.

The staff and trustees continue to make every effort to keep operating costs as low as possible. In this connection, our hospital recently became a charter member of the Sun Alliance, an organization of 22 large hospitals in nine southeastern states. A primary purpose of the alliance is to keep operating costs (and consequently, patient charges) as low as possible through group purchasing of capital equipment, the development and sharing of comparative data and management information, and possible group arrangements with specialized consultants.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to provide a pastoral ministry to hospital patients and their families, individual and group counseling in crisis situations, clinical pastoral education at several levels, and numerous events in human enrichment and development. During the past year, the department has begun a Minister's Care Plan, in which the Baptist State Convention provides financial assistance for ministers and/or their families who seek pastoral counseling through one of the department's regional centers. Also, the position of Chaplain to Medical Students has been elevated to a staff/faculty position.

Construction on the Focus Building, on the site of the Old Main building which was torn down two years ago, is almost complete. Several departments of the Medical Center will be occupying this building in the near future.

The hospital staff is grateful to the Baptists of North Carolina for continuing financial support. During 1979, the hospital received \$400,500 through the Cooperative Program, and \$357,517 through the North Carolina Mission Offering and designated gifts.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bill Painter, Representative

THE 1979-80 REPORT ONE HOMES FOR THE AGING

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself, and it is people like *Mrs. Tillie Crabtree* who make it all worth it. Mrs. Crabtree, a resident at Hayes Home who finds it very painful to walk, came recently all the way from her room to the office of the Executive Director, Bill Poole, to say, "Thank You" for all the blessings of the Baptist Homes to her as a resident and to give a personal gift of money to the Homes from her limited personal spending money, as an expression of her gratitude to the Lord and to North Carolina Baptists.

The ministry to older persons through our Baptist Homes is the youngest of all our social service ministries. We have just completed our 29th year of ministry, and are moving with faith and with gratitude into our 30th year and into the new decade of the eighties. God has blessed us through all of these years in marvelous ways and has given to us the privilege of moving into 5 areas of our state with this special ministry—Resthaven, the Hayes Home, the Apartment Complex, and the Nursing Unit all in Winston-Salem, and Homes in Albemarle, Hamilton, Yanceyville, and Asheville! The past year has been filled with excitement and accomplishment. A dream was fulfilled when we moved into the new Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville in March (1979), and have filled this beautiful new Home to the brim with 49 new residents who are a most welcome addition to our Baptist Homes family.

Gifts from our Baptist Churches, though encouraging, have fallen behind previous years' gifts through the two vital sources of income for the Homes — through the Cooperative Program, and through the new North Carolina Missions Offering. Through these two sources of support, we will continue to supplement needy residents who cannot pay the full cost of care and who are very dependent on these love gifts from North Carolina Baptists. Those who are supplemented at some time during their residence in our Baptist Homes family are in the majority.

We are excited over the possibility of starting the construction of additional nursing beds in Winston-Salem to care for residents in the new Western North Carolina Home and the Apartment complex, when nursing care is needed for them. Hopefully, construction of these beds can be underway within this year, along with the construction of an urgently needed enlargement and renovation of the Hayes Home, and the building of a new administration building.

Each of our residents would have me thank you as North Carolina Baptists for all that you are, and for all that you do for them.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Steve Hardin, Representative

ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 1980-81

NOVEMBER — *STATE CONVENTION MONTH*

- 2- 8 Royal Ambassador Week
- 3 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 3 W. M. U. World Day of Prayer - Silver Creek Baptist Church 10:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. (Covered Dish)
- 8- 9 N. C. Men's Convention (Brotherhood) Greensboro
- 9 Gardner-Webb Ministerial Day
- 10-12 Baptist State Convention - Greensboro
- 23 Child Care Day
- 24 "M" Night at Sandy Springs Baptist Church - 7:30 P.M.
- 27 Thanksgiving Day
- 30 Beginning of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions

DECEMBER — *FOREIGN MISSIONS MONTH*

- 1- 7 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
- 9 Pastors and Wives Christmas Fellowship Supper
- 25 Christmas Day
- 28 Student Day

JANUARY — *BIBLE STUDY MONTH - BOOK OF PHILIPPIANS*

- 1 New Year's Day
- 5 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 5 W. M. U. Associational Council Meeting - Mrs. Masternick at 7:00 P.M.
- 5- 9 January Bible Study
- 19-20 Area Church Training Enabler Conference
- 25 Baptist Men's Day
- 27-28 General Board Meeting - Raleigh
- 28-29 DOM & General Board Staff - Raleigh

FEBRUARY — *W. M. U. FOCUS MONTH*

- 1 Executive Committee Meeting - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 2- 3 Statewide Evangelism Conference - Thomas Wolfe Auditorium - Asheville
- 8-14 W. M. U. Focus Week
- 9 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 15-18 Home Mission Study

MARCH — *HOME MISSIONS MONTH*

- 1- 8 Week of Prayer for Home Missions
- 2 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 9-10 Mountain Directors of Missions - Boone
- 17-18 Gardner-Webb College Ministers' Conference
- 20-21 W. M. U. Annual Session Ovens Auditorium - Charlotte

APRIL — *BOLD MISSIONS - PRAYER RETREAT*

- 6 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 6 W. M. U. Associational Council Meeting - Mrs. Larry Stott at 7:00 P.M.

- 12 Cooperative Program Day
- 14 Prayer Retreat (W. M. U.) at Beulah at 7:00 P.M. (Led by Mrs. McGee)
- 19 Easter Sunday
- 20 BWA World Day of Prayer

MAY – FAMILY MISSION ACTION TRAINING

- 1- 3 W. M. U. Leaders' Development Retreat - Ridgecrest
- 3 Executive Committee Meeting - Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
- 3-10 Christian Home Week
- 4 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 10 Mother's Day
- 11-13 Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest
- 18-24 Week of Prayer for Associational Missions

JUNE – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MONTH

- 6 State Children's Bible Drill-Speakers' Tournament - Waynesville
- 7- 8 W. M. U. Annual Meeting - Los Angeles
- 8 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 9-11 Southern Baptist Convention - Los Angeles
- 21 Father's Day
- 22-26 Directors' of Missions Conference - Wingate College

JULY – CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

- 4 Independence Day
- 6 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 11-17 Church Training Week at Ridgecrest

AUGUST – YOUTH MONTH

- 2 Executive Committee Meeting - Mill Spring at 2:30 P.M.
- 3 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 8-14 W. M. U. Leadership Conference - Ridgecrest
- 11 Pastors' and Sunday School Directors' Workshop
Green River at 7:30 P.M.
- 30 Statewide Youth Evangelism Conference - Asheville

SEPTEMBER – MISSIONS MANIA

- 4- 5 W. M. U. Associational Leadership Training - Ridgecrest
- 7 Labor Day
- 14 Pastors' Conference - Mill Spring at 7:30 P.M.
- 18-19 Sunday School Training - Ridgecrest
- 29-30 General Board - Caraway
- 30-Oct. 1 – DOM and General Board Staff (Caraway)

OCTOBER – ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS MONTH

- 4-11 N. C. Missions Offering Week of Prayer
- 7 Cooperative Program Emphasis
- 22 Associational Annual Meeting - Pea Ridge at 2:00 P.M.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT 1980

There are seven North Carolina Baptist colleges and universities: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. Baptist in their roots and their affections, these schools are Baptists' educational mission in our state. There are 53 such colleges, including these seven, related to state conventions within the Southern Baptist Convention.

The highest priority of your Baptist colleges is to serve God and man through Christian higher education. Ours is a secular world which views life and history, and even man himself, as having no overarching purpose.

To this hopeless view of the world, the Christian church through its colleges and universities has an essential message. The message is that creation has purpose, life has meaning and direction and persons created in the image of God have eternal significance.

The task of the Christian college is large and complex: searching for answers to perplexing problems; guiding the lives of youth who have been greatly influenced by the values of a secular society; and interpreting this task in love and with reason to those who do not always understand the difficulty of the college task.

Your North Carolina Baptist colleges see themselves as you see them, as a valuable part of Christian missions. They operate out of the conviction that God's Holy Spirit leads persons in the discovery of truth, that through the Bible God has given us sufficient guide for faith and practice, and that man in a sinner by nature who cannot save himself or redeem the world in which he lives.

Baptist young people are sought and welcomed by Baptist colleges. We call upon the churches, through pastors and other leaders, to encourage Baptist youth to apply for admission to Baptist colleges. When they do, a creative blending of Christian education, financial assistance and spiritual guidance will help to shape them as tomorrow's leaders in the church, community, state and nation.

We thank you for your support of the colleges. We request your earnest prayers for each of them.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Helen Godfrey, Representative

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION REPORT FOR 1980

Polk Baptists reap many rewarding experiences from the Baptist Student Union. We are so fortunate to be near Gardner-Webb College. Two young leaders of church music are college students. Groups also sing for revivals and other services.

Gardner-Webb Student Ministerial Day is most successful. We are excited over November 9th when most of our churches will have students. If you do not participate let me encourage you to do so. The blessings will be yours!

Cooper's Gap had a student worker from Wingate again this year. Hickory Grove sent a student to Missouri to help in Vacation Bible Schools. We praise the Lord for the blessings of BSU!

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Loretta Vance, Representative

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Good News! The U. S. Supreme Court has announced another victory for us. In the continuing battle against pornography, the court has upheld one of the laws that the League worked for so faithfully to get enacted in the N. C. General Assembly. Since its passage, the Christian Action League has been involved in court battles - first in the state courts and more recently in federal court.

The League is now in the process of arranging a State-Wide Conference on Pornography to develop a strategy to implement the laws that have been enacted and upheld by the courts.

Is the Christian Action League included in your mission causes? If not, will you present the work of the League to your budget committee with a recommendation that perhaps a monthly allocation be granted. If necessary, the League will be glad to meet with your church or budget committee.

Thank you for all that you mean to the cause of moral and civic righteousness. May we uphold each other in prayer that we may stand **BOLDLY** against those forces that seek to destroy the moral principles of our society.

In Polk this year we have tried to be helpful in curtailing the drug traffic and have been supportive of our law enforcement. We love our young people and we want them to be exposed **ONLY TO THE BEST AND FINEST!**

In His Service,

John Lynch, Representative
Christian Action League

REPORT OF THE BIBLICAL RECORDER TO THE ASSOCIATIONS 1980

Faced with the same inflationary pressures that every family has these days, the *Recorder* has managed to get through another year without an increase in subscription rates. A church can still send the *Recorder* to resident families for only 7 cents a week per family, less than half the cost of a first class stamp and the best bargain in Christian literature to be found anywhere. Thus the *Recorder* is doing its best to hold the line by getting out a good paper at reasonable cost.

It has been another newsworthy year for Baptists and the *Recorder* has stayed on top of all that's happening. At the State Convention last November in Winston-Salem, a new relationship between the convention and Wake Forest University was approved. Messengers who attended were well informed and the issue was settled without serious division or controversy. This is just one illustration of how the *Recorder* informs North Carolina Baptists on vital matters affecting them. No other can take its place, certainly not the secular press which has so many denominations to cover.

Even though it was not a Baptist issue, the *Recorder* was able to set the record straight on an anonymous petition being circulated about a film supposedly about "the sex life of Jesus." Not only did the *Recorder* run news stories and editorials on this matter, it responded to numerous telephone calls. It was able to tell people the truth about something that never did take place and - and the story was at least four years old anyhow.

Never has there been more misinformation circulated among our Baptist people. Those who do not receive the *Recorder* are easy victims for all types of misleading stories and rumors. Add to this the deliberate efforts of some groups to siphon off the loyalties and money of Baptist people and there's a strong case for sending the *Recorder* to every church family. See that your church makes this move in the coming year.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE REPORT

Another year has gone by and our editors and writers of our Materials Service Department have been hard at work creating new and updated periodicals to keep in step with our changing world.

We, as Southern Baptists, are blessed with people dedicated to the purpose of offering the best in teaching material to be used in our Sunday Schools and Church Training. New quarterlies for the parents of babies and toddlers and recordings of children's music have just been released for use in the children's departments. Bible Study Tapes are available for training teachers in these children's departments. New Youth items have been released to help in planning for Youth Week and involving youth in learning to be leaders. There are still available three different sets of lessons for Adults in Sunday School to choose from, with more helps, for teaching

these and more large print periodicals available for older Adults with eyesight problems. Bible Study Materials are available now for the homebound or people residing in Nursing Homes, Convalescent Centers, or Hospitals. We can be thankful for writers seeking to reach the needs of all ages in our churches as well as communities.

The Missions Materials and periodicals keep us informed about our witness around the world and help us be better missionaries here at home.

Then what would we do without the *Biblical Recorder*, our state newspaper, which keeps us informed about the happenings in our own state as well as the Southern Baptist Convention? We're thankful for a paper that isn't afraid to speak out on controversial issues. The news we find in our paper isn't always good news, such as recently, but being aware of what goes on makes us better able to do something about it.

We, as Churches, must teach the Bible as God's inspired word to our children and adults and we must live it daily before the world. Our world needs the gospel that we preach from our pulpits and study in our classes, but if we who possess it do not share it we are defeating the purpose of Our Lord Jesus in this world.

We must hide His Word deep in our hearts to keep us from sin, and we must teach our children diligently His Commandments and His Truths so we can be armored against the Devil who sneaks in unawares.

Let us permit our good Christian Literature to accomplish the purpose for which it is intended and let it supplement God's Word as we study and commit His Word to our hearts and lives.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Delia Ann Byrd, Representative
Christian Education

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT FOR 1980

During the past year our Church Training Program has experienced a few "Firsts." Never before has there been a wider and more varied list of helps to enhance Church Training. The entire program has been revitalized to meet the needs of the entire church.

Materials for Church Training are available in many areas. There is no cause for your Church Training to be boring or dull. A call or letter to the Church Training Department will bring materials that will be interesting as well as helpful.

At the Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest much information was given. Church Training Directors came away with many helps for all departments.

"M" Night was a great night with representatives from our churches with Church Training and some who do not. This year the theme is: "Equipping for Personal Growth." Polk "M" night will be November 24th at Sandy Springs.

Polk Association had the first Bible Drill and Speakers Tournament. Rev. Alvin Jackson and Mrs. Arthur Smith were the capable leaders of these contests. Five winners went to the State at Hendersonville. We were proud of the pupils and their teachers. Since Rev. Jackson has moved, Mrs. Arthur Smith will be in charge this year. If she asks your help and you are available please try this exciting work. We hope to have more participation by churches in 1981. It's not too early to start training now.

We are still hoping that Church Training will be a part of each of our churches' program. If you need any help in starting a Church Training Program, I will be happy to help you. It is so important that we train our leaders for tomorrow. How will we operate our churches unless we TRAIN?

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. William Painter, Director
Church Training

A REPORT FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

We are pleased each time you come by the Media Center. There are new filmstrips that the churches may check out. We have four filmstrips on "North Carolina Missions" that have been used.

We will be happy to let any church use the film strip projector of the 16 M.M projector.

In the Equipping Center we have eight Modules that you can check out to enrich Church Training and Sunday School.

If we do not have the help that you need we might be able to help you find the source in which to obtain the answer to your problem.

Drop by to see us anytime.

Respectfully submitted,
Millie Simpson, Media Center

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I - NAME

This body shall be known as the POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Article II - PURPOSE

It shall be the general object and purpose of this association to promote Missions, Benevolences, Christian Education, and Christian fellowship as fostered by the Baptist State Convention of N. C. and the Southern Baptist Convention. Detailed and specific objects shall be left in the hands of the EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

Article III - MEETINGS

The association shall convene annually on Thursday after the third Sunday in October, authority for any necessary changes in this meeting schedule or for called sessions of the association is given to the Executive Promotional Committee.

Article IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. Composition and number of messengers: The association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches to which they belong. The messengers thus chosen shall be known as The Polk Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor the privilege to infringe upon their internal rights. Nevertheless, the association reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any and every church proven to be heretical in doctrine, immoral in practice, or unwilling over a period of time to cooperate with the other churches in fulfilling the purpose of the association.

Each member church shall be entitled to a minimum of three messengers, and one additional member for every 50 members or major fraction thereof, over the first 50 members. Officers of the association, pastors of the member churches, the Superintendent of Missions, and such members of the preceding session as were appointed to perform specific duties, by virtue of their office, shall be messengers and members of the session.

SECTION II. Reception of churches. The association shall be the sole judge of her membership, and may receive or reject churches applying for membership there in at her pleasure. Provided: The churches so received shall agree and come under the watchcare of the association for a period of one year upon the recommendation of the Committee on Reception of New Churches, provided such request comes at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting. It is understood that during this period of proving such church or churches shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the association except that of voting. They may be voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present.

SECTION III. Church letters: Each member church of the association shall send a letter of information to the annual meeting. These letters shall contain such statistical information as shall be requested, and shall be sent to the associational office

as soon as possible after the end of the associational year. Any church, that for a period of twelve months following the associational meeting, fails to send such a letter of information to the office, shall be dropped from membership in the association. The association's Missions Committee shall seek to make the church fully aware of this impending action.

Article V – ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The officers of the association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Trustees, Auditor, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Woman's Missionary Union Director, Director of Baptist Men, and Music Director.

SECTION II. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, and Baptist Men's Director shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee of the association, and the Woman's Missionary Union Director by their organization at the third quarterly meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee. Each will then serve on his organization's committee to enlist the necessary officers for the new year. The association's nominating committee shall present all these officers for approval at the annual meeting.

SECTION III. At the annual session the nomination committee shall nominate one person for the office to be filled. Opportunity shall be given for nominations from the floor, with elections to be completed on that day.

Article VI – COMMITTEES

SECTION I. Audio-Visual Aids Committee: This committee shall make a study of and dispense information to the churches concerning the current practice in the use of audio-visual aids. This committee shall be responsible for the loan and operation of all visual-aid equipment of the association within the churches of the association.

SECTION II. Budget and Finance Committee: It shall be the purpose of this committee to study the complete program of our association and make all necessary recommendations concerning the finances and prepare and present the annual budget for the association at the annual meeting of the association. This committee shall get into the hands of each church a copy of the recommended budget by the first Sunday in August. (The purpose for this is to aid the local churches in their budget preparation and allotment of the associational program.) All churches who participate on a regular basis with the work of the association shall receive their minutes without charge. All others will pay at the rate of \$1.50 each.

SECTION III. Committee on Committees: This committee, composed of three members, shall be appointed by the Moderator at the first business session of the annual program. This committee will become responsible for filling all vacancies that may occur during the year, and shall nominate all committees for the coming year.

SECTION IV. Constitutional Changes Committee: This committee shall be composed of at least three members whose duty shall be to study the constitution and report any suggested changes to the annual session each year.

SECTION V. Evangelism Committee: This committee shall work in cooperation and use information coming from our convention's Department of Evangelism. They shall encourage our churches to be evangelistic and participate in all simultaneous efforts.

SECTION VI. Executive Promotional Committee: The association shall have an Executive Promotional Committee which shall carry on the work of the association as interim, with all powers of the association vested in this committee. This committee shall be composed of the officers of the association, a pastor from each member church in the association, one lay member from each church, and the church treasurer. Members present at any meeting of the Executive Promotional Committee shall compose a quorum. This committee shall meet quarterly on the first Sunday in the second month of each quarter. The Executive Committee shall submit a report of its work at the annual associational meeting.

SECTION VII. Memorials Committee: The duty of this committee is to present a memorial for members of our churches who passed away during the preceding year.

SECTION VIII. Missions Committee: The association shall cooperate with our North Carolina Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Denominational Program of missions: Foreign; Home; State; and Associational.

A. The Missions Committee shall have the responsibility of employing or discharging a paid missionary or field worker for the association, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and/or association.

B. Membership: The Missions Committee shall consist of the general officers of the association, heads of the five organizations and the Chairman of Evangelism. The Superintendent of Missions is an ex-officio member of the committee. Any five members will constitute a quorum. (Chairman to be elected by the committee.)

C. Duties: The duties of the committee is to work with the associational Missionary in planning and promoting a mission program that will carry the Gospel to all the people; seek to meet spiritual needs of all the committees and churches; to promote religious services in institutions and lead in establishing mission stations in neglected areas and new churches where they are needed. In carrying out its responsibilities, this committee has four major duties:

1. Pinpoint all possible places in the association where work should be started.
2. Create concern in the hearts of the leaders in the churches for starting new work.
3. The Superintendent of Missions shall be solely responsible to this committee and, through the Executive Promotional Committee, to the association.
4. The Superintendent of Missions shall submit all plans and programs for the association to this committee for approval and authorization.

SECTION IX. Nominating Committee: This committee, consisting of three members, shall nominate all general officers and representatives to serve for one year, and shall be charged with the responsibility of filling vacancies that occur in any of the above mentioned during the year.

SECTION X. Ordination Committee: This committee will not act voluntary, but upon request by individual churches desiring such services. This committee shall be composed of five members. When called upon, they shall examine the candidate for the Gospel Ministry and submit a report to the church requesting such.

SECTION XI. Program Committee: The Program Committee shall consist of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Chairman of Missions Committee, along with the directors of each organization of work. The first three mentioned, along with the Superintendent of Missions, shall work out the format and present to the full committee before the final program is completed.

SECTION XII. Place and Preacher Committee: This committee shall determine the meeting place, select the speaker for the annual message and alternate.

SECTION XIII. Reception and Location of Churches: Duties of this committee shall be:

1. To receive and consider request by a new church for membership in the association and to recommend what action should be taken.

2. To keep alert to any developments that might lead to a new church and advise the group or groups as to what steps should be taken in the organization for application for membership in the association, and location of the church.

SECTION XIV. Resolutions Committee: This committee shall make resolutions pertinent to the occasion of our annual meetings or other occasions as needed.

SECTION XV. Social Services Committee: This committee shall be made up of the associational representatives of the State Convention operated Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, and the Baptist Hospital. Its duties shall be to keep informed as to what is available for immediate needs in our area, and to assist in securing such needs as requested to do so. The committee should also be aware of other needs as may arise within our area where we could give aid or counsel.

SECTION XVI. Trustees: This committee shall be elected for an indefinite period and may be changed at the discretion of the association. They may hold title for the association of any property presently held by the association or that which shall be acquired. Trustees shall be aware of the state of repair of all properties and make recommendations concerning such to the Executive Committee.



A R O L I N A

RULES OF PROCEDURE

These rules shall govern the working procedures of the Polk Baptist Association.

Article I - RULES OF ORDER

The association shall at times be governed by a simple majority of the messengers present, except when necessitated otherwise by the Constitution.

The Moderator shall be deemed Judge of Order, guided by Robert's Rules or Order.

Article II - PRINTING OF CONSTITUTION

The Constitution shall be printed in the Minutes annually.

Article III - CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

This Constitution may be altered, or amended, by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present. One month prior to annual meeting, any recommended change shall be presented in writing and acted upon at the annual meeting.

Article IV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION I. Moderator: The Moderator shall be elected annually. He shall preside at the annual meeting of the association, and at the Executive Promotional Meetings. His term of office shall not exceed two years in succession.

SECTION II. Vice-Moderator: The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Moderator, shall automatically become Moderator, and the Nominating Committee shall fill the vacancy of Vice-Moderator at the next Executive Meeting. His duties shall be to serve when called upon by the moderator or in the absence of the moderator.

SECTION III. Clerk: The clerk shall be elected annually. He shall record the proceedings of the Executive Promotional Committee meetings, and all sessions of the annual associational meeting.

SECTION IV. Assistant Clerk: The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties of the clerk in the absence of the clerk.

SECTION V. Treasurer: The Associational Treasurer is to handle and disburse all funds of the association in accord with the budget of the association, or at the direction of the association or the Executive Promotional Committee. He shall also transfer to his successor a complete accounting of all funds which have come into his hands.

SECTION VI. Historian: The Associational Historian is to prepare and present a history of the churches where the annual meeting is held, and is to preserve a continuing record of these meetings, which are to be passed on to the succeeding historian.

SECTION VII. Auditor: The association shall have an auditor who shall be elected at each annual session, along with the other officers of the association. He shall have the duty of auditing the books of the treasurer, and of reporting his findings to the association at the annual meeting.

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SECTION VIII. Superintendent of Missions:

PART 1. Duties: The Superintendent of Missions shall be an ex-officio of the Polk Baptist Association and all committees. His primary duties will be that of promoting and developing the Southern Baptist Program of Cooperation with the pastors of the churches of the Polk Baptist Association, and any such duties as the Missions Committee shall specify. His further duties shall be to publish the annual book of reports and to compile and print (or assume responsibility for such) the Polk Baptist Annual Minutes.

PART 2. Employment: The Superintendent of Missions is called for an indefinite period of time. This relationship may be terminated by giving a thirty day notice, or upon the recommendation of the Executive Promotional Committee favoring. This would be done with a thirty day period allowed.

PART 3. His work shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Promotional Committee and he shall make monthly reports to the chairman of the Missions Committee.

PART 4. The salary and other benefits shall be suggested by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

PART 5. OTHER PROVISIONS: The Superintendent of Missions is granted two full weeks of vacation time annually to be taken at his own discretion. He is entitled to the equivalent of one day a week free of associational work. The Superintendent of Missions is permitted to conduct two 1-week revivals and assist in two weeks of church and convention work outside the association each year. He will be available for as many revivals within the association as is physically possible. The services of the Superintendent of Missions shall be offered free and without charge to the churches of the association. Notwithstanding, the churches are free to express their appreciation to the Superintendent of Missions with suitable honorariums. The Superintendent of Missions will be allowed a reasonable period of time for sick leave with pay, the amount to be determined by the Missions Committee. The Superintendent shall comply with the policies and cooperate with the general program of the Baptist State Convention's Division of Missions. He is encouraged to attend the annual North Carolina Baptist State Convention Meeting and other conventions and conferences relevant to his work as provided in the annual budget.

NOTE: Under our present setup with our Superintendent of Missions on a part-time salary, he will be expected to comply within reasonable bounds to the above stipulations.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE VI - SECTION II: Be it understood that all churches participating in the financial program of the Association receive their minutes free of charge up to a certain certified number. Any church that desires minutes but does not support the regular financial program of the association shall be asked to pay at the rate of \$1.50 per copy.

Be it further understood that the churches will be given minutes on this Ratio: 100 or less - 10 copies, 150 or less - 15 copies, more than 150 - 20 copies.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XV: Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVII (Committees): Recreation Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE VI - SECTION XVIII (Committees): Youth Committee - This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association.

ARTICLE V - SECTION III: That the Associational Senior Co-ordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "a" before the "Music Director"; adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Co-ordinator."

ARTICLE V - SECTION IV: That the official title, "Superintendent of Missions" be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title "Director of Missions."

ARTICLE IV, SECTION II: (Reception of Churches) - Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from "The churches so received to "A newly established Southern Baptist Church or churches so received" - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: "An older - established Southern Baptist Church or churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watch care of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the messengers present."

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT FOR 1980

Southern Baptists claimed their BOLD MISSION THRUST in 1977. The introduction is over; in 1981 we must demonstrate our willingness to make our BOLD MISSION THRUST dream come true through our BOLD GIVING.

The dream is bold. The people are excited. The mission unmistakably stands before us.

Developing Christian stewards is imperative in light of Biblical teachings, and the Bold Mission Thrust objective to give every person in the world an opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ by the year 2000. This calls for faithful stewardship and growth in Christian giving.

Commitment to Bold Mission Thrust calls for specific action on our part as individuals and churches. Every church is challenged to:

1. Give something through the Cooperative Program for Bold Mission Thrust support.

2. Increase the percentage of its total budget income given through Cooperative Program.

3. Increase the percentage of total budget income for the support of Association Missions.

Let every church in Polk Association demonstrate its GENUINE CONCERN FOR AND COMMITMENT TO WORLD MISSION SUPPORT THROUGH BOLD LIVING AND BOLD GIVING.

In Polk we are happy to report that almost all of the churches are now committed to the Cooperative Program. We have faith to believe that in 1981 ALL of Polk Association will have a part in World Missions! Some of our churches are giving ten percent to the Cooperative Program. A few are giving more than the ten percent. For this we are deeply grateful. If your church is not committed on a percentage basis we urge you to try it in 1981.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. George Lynch, Chairman
Stewardship Committee

NORTH CAROLINA STATE MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1980

State Mission support is now one part of the North Carolina Missions Offering. The allocations for State Missions are divided into two programs. The first program includes Church Development. The second program deals with Direct Ministries. In the first program aid is given to Fruitland, Seminary Extension, and pastoral aid. Also, our camps at Caswell, Truett, and Caraway are included.

In the second program there is help for migrant workers, the chaplaincy, and language ministries to the deaf, blind, and mentally retarded.

Each of these programs touch the lives of thousands of North Carolinians. These precious people - 5,604,000 to be exact - are the reason for everything we do.

State Missions will receive 27% of the North Carolina Missions Offerings, estimated to be \$675,000 for 1980. Polk Association will surely want to show its appreciation by giving sacrificially!

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Arthur Smith

THE HOME MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1980

The past 12 months at the Home Mission Board have been crowded with productive and challenging activity. The major emphasis in planning has been to coordinate the efforts of the staff in development of a mid-range plan (1979-82). This plan functions as a bridge between the long range plan, TARGET: A.D. 2000, and the annual operating plan. By approaching planning in this manner, the Home Mission Board staff has been able to coordinate their programs with the emphasis of the Southern Baptist Convention.

This year was marked by outstanding financial support by Southern Baptists. The largest offering for home missions in the world was received, with total receipts of the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering amounting to \$14,171,637. The offering marked a 15.38 percent increase over the previous year. Likewise, Cooperative Program gifts increased. The board received \$12,500,000 in the Cooperative Program operating budget, plus \$49,644 in the challenge section of the Southern Baptist Convention budget. Cooperative Program gifts to the Home Mission Board increased 13.82 percent over the previous year.

Polk Association increased the Annie Armstrong Offering from a total of \$3,641 in 1979 to \$5328.10 in 1980. This is an encouraging sign and we hope we will make even greater advances in 1981.

THE FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT FOR 1980

Southern Baptist outreach to the world through the Foreign Mission Board experienced a good year. Some indicators that this denomination is taking Bold Mission Thrust seriously are encouraging.

An event of notable significance in 1979 was the retirement of Baker James Cauthen as executive director. His effective 26-year leadership and dynamic proclaiming of foreign missions have challenged and inspired Southern Baptists.

This past year's foreign mission effort was accomplished in the midst of shocking human suffering, devastating inflation, political turmoil, resurgent religions, militant secularism, and indescribable moral decay. These create the environment for missions every year. Next year will be no different. God has set before Southern Baptist an open door. To walk through it with boldness will yield the greatest days yet in missions advance.

The sending out and maintaining missionaries is primary in Southern Baptist overseas missions through the channel of the Foreign Mission Board. Total Southern Baptist foreign missionaries exceeded the 3,000 level by the end of 1979. Net missionary personnel gain for 1979 was 102. At the end of the year the missionary staff totaled 3,008. The Bold Mission Thrust objective to increase the staff to more than 5,000 by 2000 A.D. remains a challenge.

Southern Baptist foreign missionaries were assigned to 95 countries and territories by the end of 1979. One new field was entered during the year - Transkei - a new African homeland established from the territory of the Republic of South Africa.

In 1979 Southern Baptists' contributions for foreign missions totaled \$74,976,749. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering amounted to \$36,217,473. The 1980 goal for Lottie Moon is \$45,000,000.

It is gratifying to know that Polk had a greater share in the foreign missions program in 1980. In 1979 the gifts were \$9,631 and in 1980 they totaled \$16,321. May God bless you and help you to give more generously in 1981.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Judy Arledge, Representative

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1979-80

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES:

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Beulah. | \$ 1,422.00 |
| Big Level | 1,710.00 |
| Byars | 260.00 |
| Columbus | 2,043.03 |
| Cooper's Gap | 1,949.28 |
| Faith. | 780.00 |
| Faith Temple | 50.00 |
| Green River | 500.00 |
| Hickory Grove | 1,961.17 |
| Midway | 520.00 |
| Mill Spring | 200.00 |
| Morgan Chapel | 300.00 |
| Pacolet Hills | 193.00 |
| Pea Ridge. | 400.00 |
| Periel | 240.00 |
| Pleasant Grove | 75.00 |
| Sandy Springs. | 1,155.00 |
| Silver Creek | 1,200.00 |
| Tryon Second. | 202.16 |
| Warrior Mountain | <u>300.00</u> |
| Total. | \$ 15,460.64 |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF BUDGETED ITEMS 1979-80

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| Balance Beginning October 1, 1979. | \$ 16,385.56 | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Churches | \$ 15,460.64 | |
| Baptist State Convention | 2,794.67 | |
| Seminary Extension Fees | 154.80 | |
| World Day of Prayer | 70.00 | |
| Payment on Loan to Campland | <u>4,767.60</u> | |
| Total Receipts | \$ 23,247.71 | <u>23,247.71</u> |
| To Be Accounted For. | \$ 39,633.27 | |
| Less Expenses. | | <u>32,736.06</u> |
| | | \$ 6,897.21 |
| Interest on Certificate | | <u>930.24</u> |
| Balance Ending September 30, 1980. | \$ 7,827.45 | |

EXPENSES FOR POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1979-80

Expenses:

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|------------------------------------|------------------|
| M. R. Simpson (Annuity \$277.75) | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Secretary | 1,700.00 |
| Utilities | 1,800.00 |
| Office Utilities Mill Spring First | 330.00 |
| Office Utilities Pacolet Hills | 20.00 |
| Printing and Supplies | 76.11 |
| Equipment, Shelves | 992.95 |
| Annual Minutes | 506.13 |
| Center Modules | 99.59 |
| Petty Cash | 400.00 |
| Telephone | 437.94 |
| Annual Mail Permit | 40.00 |
| Stencil Maker | 1,386.79 |
| Seminary Extension Books, etc. | 826.80 |
| Annuity | 455.69 |
| Travel | 100.40 |
| Phillip McCall (Mission Aid) | 100.00 |
| World Day of Prayer | 70.00 |
| Thermal Belt Youth Center | 200.00 |
| Love Offering (The Simpsons) | 248.00 |
| Christmas Gift (The Simpsons) | 200.00 |
| State Convention Expenses | 87.36 |
| V. B. S. | 105.27 |
| W. M. U. | 355.09 |
| Bible Drill | 117.94 |
| Churchman Seminary | 80.00 |
| Faith Temple (Building Program) | 300.00 |
| Columbus (Rebuilding-Fire Damage) | 300.00 |
| Revival Songbooks | 125.00 |
| John McGee (Expense & Honorarium) | 75.00 |
| Youth Rally | 200.00 |
| Money Certificate | <u>17,000.00</u> |
| Total Expenses | \$ 32,736.06 |

CAMPLAND 1979-80

Balance Beginning October 1, 1979. \$ 1,578.35

Receipts:

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|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Charles D. Owens | \$ 14,000.00 | |
| Walter R. Schnelle | <u>3,500.00</u> | |
| Total | \$ 17,500.00 | <u>17,500.00</u> |

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| To Be Accounted For | \$ 19,078.35 |
| Less Expenses | <u>15,895.94</u> |
| Balance Ending September 30, 1980 | \$ 3,182.41 |

Expenses:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Joe Miller (Final Payment) | \$ 11,000.00 |
| Interest | 128.34 |
| Loan Payment to Association | <u>4,767.60</u> |
| Total | \$ 15,895.94 |
| Owens and Schnelle Owe | \$ 38,467.02 |

HISTORY OF COLUMBUS BAPTIST CHURCH

It was on the morning of April 1, 1857 that a council of interested persons met in the old wooden county court house in Columbus, N. C. to organize a new missionary Baptist Church.

This council was composed of the following deacons: James Coward from Green River Church, Toliver Davis of Rutherfordton, M. L. Morrow and A. P. Bobo from Wolf Creek (now Landrum Church). The following ministers were present: Thomas J. Earl, D. C. Rollins and A. J. Cansler.

Then a week later, on April 8, the newly formed Columbus Baptist Church, composed of thirty-one charter members, met and called A. J. Cansler as its first pastor. The charter members included six white men and seventeen white women, two negro men and six negro women, slaves of the white members at that time.

Although there are no records for a period of time, and we do not know for sure when the church building was built, older people of the county have told us it was erected in 1858.

Rev. T. B. Justice was elected pastor in August of 1896. Under his leadership the church seemed to take on new life. A Sunday School was organized at this time. Then in 1910 the W. M. U. was organized by Mrs. T. W. Posey, wife of the pastor at that time.

It was in 1927 that a new front was put on the building, a baptistry was installed in the auditorium, and rock wall was built in front of the church.

In 1945, Rev. H. E. Bradey became the first full time pastor. During his pastorate eight additional Sunday School rooms were built and regular contributions were begun to the Cooperative Program. Many new members were added, and a parsonage was begun. The new parsonage was dedicated September 27, 1953.

In 1957 the church conducted a week long celebration of its centennial year. Previous pastors were present to bring messages each night of the week.

During the 1960's church membership and attendance continued to grow, utilizing all the educational facilities which had been completed a few years previously. Also, at this period of time, stained glass windows were installed in the sanctuary, a library was started, and the front of the church was remodeled and enclosed to provide a vestibule.

During the 1970's when Rev. Charles Bullard was pastor many improvements were made, one being that new pews were purchased. And now under the able leadership of Rev. Fred Rhodes many things are being accomplished by the church.

On March 23, 1980 fire caused extensive damage to the educational building and smoke damage to the sanctuary. But God's people have been at work, and repairs will be completed by October 1.

We rejoice in the progress of Columbus Baptist Church and thank the Lord for His bountiful love and blessings.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Miriam Arledge, Historian

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1980

The Associational Missions Committee is responsible for developing and implementing the missions strategy of the Association. The missions strategy or program is one part of the overall work of the Association. The Missions Committee is one of the most important units of organization in the Association.

The Simpsons have settled in their new offices at Mill Springs First Church. New lighting has been installed, and bookshelves were purchased. The new electric stencil marker is a great asset to our Association. A very nice conference room has been arranged with comfortable tables and chairs. The offices are air-conditioned. All of these improvements make the work easier.

The Simpsons are doing a wonderful work in our midst. Once again they have traveled many miles, attended many services, preached in many churches, held Bible studies, and attended conferences throughout the Association. They have attended conferences and seminars throughout the state.

We thank God for such spiritual leaders who direct the work in our Association. I want to thank the Simpsons for what they mean to our Association and churches. I also want to say "Thank you" to those individuals who give of their time and talents to the Association. So many of you do so many little things that go unnoticed.

Thank you, churches, for your prayers and support for the Director and the Association work.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman
Missions Committee

HISTORICAL EVENTS OF INTEREST DURING THE YEAR 1980

BEULAH —

BIG LEVEL —

BYARS — Put new windows in church.

COLUMBUS — From March to September the Educational Building was under construction due to fire. In August the sanctuary was re-roofed and the belfry recovered. A Brotherhood has been organized.

COOPER'S GAP — The burning of the church/debt note.

FAITH — A new pastorium has been started.

FAITH TEMPLE — Work has begun on an Education Building. Did grading and graveling of road across the church property.

GREEN RIVER — A new pastorium was dedicated.

HICKORY GROVE — Started building on to the front of church and plan to add a steeple in memory of Rev. Bill Hodge.

MIDWAY —

MILL SPRING —
MORGAN CHAPEL —
PACOLET HILLS —
PEA RIDGE — Enjoyed Old Timer's Day
PENIEL — Sent pastor and wife to visit mission field in Colombia, South America;
Installed new carpet in church pastorium. Painted outside of Church, Fellowship
Building and Pastorium.
SANDY SPRINGS —
SILVER CREEK —
TRYON SECOND —
WARRIOR MOUNTAIN — Purchased land - three-fourths acre of land for future
development.
PLEASANT GROVE —

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE 1980

The Resolutions Committee presents the following resolutions:

(A) Resolved that the churches of Polk Association express heartfelt appreciation to Columbus Baptist Church for their warm hospitality.

(B) Resolved that we express sincere thanks to all the sister churches who contributed a part in making the evening meal such a delightful occasion.

(C) Resolved that we express our sincere "thanks" to Mill Spring Baptist Church for allowing us to have the Polk Association Offices there for the past year. Their kindnesses and helpfulness are deeply appreciated.

(D) Resolved that we recognized the great loss of our pastor and friend, Rev. Bill Hodge, and accept the challenge of service for Our Lord that he presented to us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Larry Stott, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

MEMORIALS 1980

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh! Blessed be the name of the Lord."

BEULAH — Mrs. Ethel Page, Mrs. Ina Thompson, Mr. Norman Ponder.

BIG LEVEL — Mr. Mack McGuinn, Jr.

BYARS —

COLUMBUS — Mrs. Virginia Blanton

COOPER'S GAP — Mr. Leroy Wilson, Mr. Andy Wilson

FAITH — Mrs. Nina Lee Patty, Mr. Donald Shields

FAITH TEMPLE —

GREEN RIVER — Mr. Augustus Cantrell

HICKORY GROVE — Rev. Bill Hodge, Mrs. Nancy Pate, Mr. Harrison

Hutcherson, Mrs. Lottie Martin

MIDWAY — Mrs. Bell Constance, Mrs. Dovie McIntyre

MILL SPRING — Mrs. Margaret Pack

MORGAN CHAPEL —

PACOLET HILLS —

PEA RIDGE —

PENIEL — Mrs. Wilma Ford, Mrs. Ophelia Flynn, Mr. Homer Durham

SANDY SPRINGS — Mr. Kelly Wilkerson

SILVER CREEK — Mrs. Millie Hill, Mr. Bill Thompson, Mr. Donald Jones,

Mr. Lewis Denton

TRYON SECOND —

WARRIOR MOUNTAIN —

PLEASANT GROVE —

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING - FEBRUARY 3, 1980

The meeting was called to order by the vice-moderator, Rev. John Godfrey, pastor of Cooper's Gap Church, who also led in devotions.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved.

There was a call for old and new business.

Rev. Simpson stated that the stencil maker is here. It should be of great help to the pastors. He also announced that we now have 5 modules to be used by the churches. These are Church Training Modules.

The First Quarter Financial Report was passed out.

The Evangelism Report was given by Rev. Houston Moses. He reported that an Evangelism Crusade is planned for 1981 and that Polk would be a sponsor. An Evangelism Extension Course is to be held at the Mill Spring Church beginning February 18th.

The Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He announced that there would be a Leadership Extension Course on the 14th of February.

The Church Training Report was given by Rev. Bill Painter. He announced that we are planning a Bible Drill and also a Speakers' Tournament in our Association.

There was a call for a report on the campground. This report was given by Mr. Ted Owens, one of the trustees. He reported that the land had been sold for \$600.00 an acre. Question from the floor: "When would the churches be refunded for their part in it?" The Moderator stated that it would be up to the Executive Committee to decide.

The Clerk was asked to read the minutes from the meeting in which the Trustees were given permission to sell the land. (Minutes read dated August 1978). Mr. Owens then made a suggestion that we send a copy of the terms to each church. After each church has had a chance to examine the terms, we would better know the feelings of the churches concerning the matter. Action to be taken as soon as possible.

There was a motion made that we take \$12,000.00 out of our checking account and put it into a CD Saving Certificate. Seconded. Motion carried.

There was a motion made that we give Rev. Simpson the authority to have shelves built or buy metal shelving for the Associational Office. Seconded. Motion carried.

There was a motion made that the Association send \$25.00 a month to help support our pioneer missionary, Phillip McCall in Ohio. Seconded. Carried.

The Moderator then recommended that we send a letter of recommendation when a pastor leaves an Association. Seconded. Carried.

Rev. Bill Hodge and Rev. Arthur Smith were welcomed as new pastors.

Rev. Simpson shared the information that Rev. John Godfrey was named to the General Board of the N. C. Baptist State Convention.

Dismissed in prayer.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING - MAY 4, 1980

The Executive Committee met at the Mill Spring Baptist Church on May 4, 1980. The following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order by the vice-moderator, Rev. John Godfrey. Devotion was given by Rev. Bill Hodge, pastor of Hickory Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Godfrey expressed his appreciation for each one being present.

Roll call of churches revealed that there were 10 churches represented. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved.

Question from the floor: "Was someone appointed to write letter of recommendation to Virginia?" "Yes, Mrs. Simpson was to write said letter."

Question: "Has the land been sold?" "Yes."

Second Quarter Financial Report was given out and reviewed by Rev. Simpson. It was noted that the payment on the land will be \$750.00 per month until paid.

The Evangelism Report was given by Rev. Houston Moses. He announced that the Association will sponsor an Associational-Wide Revival to be held September 21-24. Different pastors will be doing the preaching with special music by different groups in the churches and also an Associational-Wide Choir. A show of hands was given to show our approval. Call for questions.

The Missions Committee Report was given by Rev. Boyce Bradshaw. He asked that the secretary send a letter of thanks to Mr. Russell Stott for installing the lights in this missionary's study. He also brought the following recommendation: Since the Simpsons are going to Florida to visit their granddaughter who is ill; that the association pay their plane fare to Miami. Motion made with a second. Voted by saying "Aye."

Rev. Lee Gregory, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following recommendation: This was a two-fold recommendation: That Rev. John Godfrey be advanced to Moderator and Rev. Bill Hodge be elected as vice-moderator. Motion made with a second. Approved by show of hands.

The moderator then gave a call for other new business.

Rev. Simpson was then called upon to make any announcements that he may have. He reminded us of the Key Leadership Conference to be held at Ridgecrest May 12-14. He also spoke concerning the 150th Anniversary Rally that was held at the Pacolet Hills and Sandy Springs Churches. Rev. Simpson also stated that maybe we should give a token offering to the Columbus Baptist Church since they have recently been involved with a burning of their Educational Building and also to the Faith Temple Church who is presently in a building program.

He also made the following announcements: Pastors Conference - Monday night. Also, the Bible Drill will be held at Midway Church on Tuesday night at 7:00. Rev. Alvin Jackson will be conducting the Bible Drill as well as the Speakers' Tournament. Rev. Jackson urged all the churches to participate.

The moderator asked what action we want to take concerning the Faith Temple and the Columbus Churches. There was a motion that we take the allotment for Convention Expense and divide it between Faith Temple and Columbus Churches. Voted by ayes.

Dismissed by Rev. Alvin Jackson who led in prayer.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING - AUGUST 3, 1980

The meeting was called to order by the host pastor, Rev. Houston Moses, in the absence of the Moderator. Mr. Henry Huntsinger led in prayer. The scripture was taken from Matthew - "The Beatitudes" - read by Rev. Houston Moses with comments. Rev. Moses also led in prayer.

Minutes were read by the clerk and approved as read. The roll call of churches was given next with eight churches represented. Request of prayer was made for Rev. Bill Hodge. There was a call for new business.

A partial report was given by the nominating committee by Rev. Lee Gregory. The following nominations were given: Sunday School Director - Rev. Boyce Bradshaw; Church Training Director - Rev. William Painter; Brotherhood - Mr. Jerry Padgett; Music - Mrs. Charlene Pate; W. M. U. - Mrs. Roena Smothers. Voted by show of hands with a second.

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman of the Missions Committee, reported that we would ask for \$2500 from the State Convention under Option 1 in which we do not have to specify what the money will be spent for. Voted by ayes. Carried.

Budget Committee presented the Proposed Budget. It was adopted with a motion and a second.

Motion was made that we repay ourselves first from sale of land. Voted with a second. Matter referred to financial committee that they have the authority to invest the money (\$44,767.60).

Motion made that this money be added to certificate and make it an even \$5000.00. Motion made with a second.

Financial Report approved as read.

Rev. Houston Moses reported on the Associational-Wide Revival. He expressed his desire that God would be with us and pour out His spirit on us.

Rev. Marshall Simpson was recognized. He brought to our attention that the Week of Prayer for N. C. Missions would be October 5-12. He emphasized that we stress this offering.

Mrs. Charlene Pate announced a choir rehearsal for the Associational Revival. It would be held at Peniel Church August 25th and 26th.

Rev. Simpson urged all churches to raise their pastors' salary due to the increase in the cost of living. He also urged all churches to give on a percentage basis to the Cooperative Program.

There was a motion to adjourn with a second.

A SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MAY 21, 1980

At a call meeting of the Executive Committee the Constitutional Changes Committee recommended the following changes and additions in the Constitution of Polk Baptist Association:

Change No. 1 - That the Youth Shelter Committee be incorporated as part of the Social Service Committee with the following wording as the last sentence of Article VI, Section XV: "Representatives from Polk Baptist Association on the Thermal Belt Youth Shelter Committee shall also serve on the Social Services Committee of Polk Baptist Association."

Change No. 2 - That the following two sections be added to Article VI (Committees): Section XVII - Recreation Committee. "This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all recreational activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association."

Section XVIII - Youth Committee. "This committee shall be responsible for planning, promoting, and co-ordinating all youth activities and programs sponsored by Polk Baptist Association."

Change No. 3 - That the Associational Senior Coordinator be added as an officer of Polk Baptist Association under Article V, Section I, by leaving off the "and" before "Music Director"; adding a comma after "Music Director" instead of a period and then adding the words: "and Associational Senior Coordinator."

Change No. 4 - "That the official title, 'Superintendent of Missions,' be changed each time it appears in the constitution to the title, 'Director of Missions.'"

Change No. 5 - That Article IV, Section II (Reception of Churches)- be revised as follows: "Sentence 2 of Section II be changed from 'The churches so received' to 'A newly established Southern Baptist Church or Churches so received' - the remainder of Section II would remain as is. At the conclusion of Section II, it is recommended that the following sentence be added: 'An older-established Southern Baptist Church or Churches, in doctrinal agreement with Polk Baptist Association, being received into the membership of Polk Baptist Association would not have to come under the watch care of the Association for one year, but would be received immediately into full membership of the Association upon being voted in by two-thirds of the members present.'"

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Pate, Jr. Chairman
Constitutional Change Committee

These changes were unanimously approved at the Call Meeting of the Executive Committee at Mill Spring on September 21, 1980.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jean Painter, Clerk

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT 1980

I want to thank you of Polk Association for your cooperation in helping to make this year a success. There are many things that have been accomplished, but there are many things that we have failed to do. My wife and I have visited every church on many occasions and have received many blessings from our worship and fellowship with you.

We have accepted the Bold Mission Thrust Challenge, and some of the churches have reached their goal set for 1982. My congratulations to you! Soon we will mail out a table of statistics to you showing you the goal for each church in order to reach Bold Missions in 1982. You will be able to see where you stand in 1980. If you have already achieved your goals we pray you will continue and reach higher ones.

We are sadly lacking in reaching people for Christ. May we ask the Lord to burden our hearts for the lost. We have approximately 12,000 people in Polk County. We are told that 3000 of this number are not Christians. Our people are becoming more mission-minded, but still we should do more that the gospel be spread abroad. By 1982 we are to double our gifts to the Cooperative Program and gifts to all causes. We are challenged to do so many things.

Our organizational work is making some progress, but there is much more we could be doing. Let's remember that inflation takes its toll. If we fail to raise the pastors and to raise the gifts to missions we are really cutting these important causes. If we put the same figures down from year to year we are not moving forward but backward. Let's strive to move forward. My prayer is that each church will set challenging goals and then strive to meet them.

Since reporting to you last year we have moved our office to Mill Spring. We do have more room and we have acquired more equipment. We have a stencil maker that has proven to be helpful to many. We plan to get other equipment as we go along.

We covet your prayers as we try to serve Our Lord and you good people of Polk Association. Let's catch the vision the Lord would have us catch, and may we work together for the glory of Our Lord. Thank you for your prayers and help during the past year.

In His Service,

M. R. Simpson

POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPOSED BUDGET 1980-81

I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION:

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Sunday School | \$ 300.00 |
| Church Training | 300.00 |
| W. M. U. | 350.00 |
| V. B. S. | 300.00 |
| Brotherhood. | 200.00 |
| Music | 300.00 |
| Associational Speakers | 200.00 |
| Associational Minutes. | 800.00 |
| Evangelism. | 300.00 |
| Seminary Extension. | 200.00 |
| Seminars | 200.00 |
| | <u>\$ 3,450.00</u> |

II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Office Utilities | 360.00 |
| Printing and Supplies | 400.00 |
| Telephone | 400.00 |
| Petty Cash, Postage, etc. | 400.00 |
| | <u>\$ 1,560.00</u> |

III. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Salary | 4,000.00 |
| Secretary | 2,000.00 |
| Utilities and Housing | 2,000.00 |
| | <u>\$ 8,000.00</u> |

IV. OTHER EXPENSES:

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Southern, State, Evang. Conventions. | 1,000.00 |
| Annuity. | 1,080.00 |
| Christmas Gift | 200.00 |
| Youth Shelter. | 300.00 |
| Association Travel (20 cents per mile). | 600.00 |
| | <u>\$ 3,180.00</u> |

GRAND TOTAL BUDGET \$ 16,190.00

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Boyce Bradshaw, Chairman

Rev. John Godfrey, Mrs. Jack Jolley

Mrs. Charlene Pate, Mrs. Roena Smothers

THE W. M. U. ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1980

As we look back to evaluate our first years of W. M. U. emphasis on "Life Changing Commitments," we realize how very important it is to make *commitments* if we are to reach our goal in BOLD MISSION THRUST - to make sure every person has the opportunity to hear the Gospel by the year 2000.

I'm just praising the Lord for the way W. M. U. is growing! The Word reminds us of the source from which Christian women can receive encouragement to make life changes: "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and He will bring it to pass." (Psalms 37:5) God will enable us not only to change but also to actually want to change. We can trust him for the courage to change our lives. It is He who has created the world and all its people, and it is He who calls us to work for him. Our hymn for the year is "Take My Life and Let It Be." Let's all commit ourselves to do this!

W. M. U. is active in 13 churches in our association. We have 12 B. W. organizations (82 members, 30 leaders); 4 B. Y. W. organizations (50 members, 8 leaders); 7 Acteen organizations (39 members, 8 leaders); 9 G. A. organizations (95 members, 16 leaders); and 8 Mission Friends organizations (47 members, 12 leaders).

Attending Ridgecrest's State Workshop were 11 directors and assistants. I attended W. M. U. Week of Conferences, also the Key Leadership Workshop. Every minute was a learning experience for all phases of W. M. U.

Events observed churchwide were: Week of Prayer for Foreign and Home Missions; Lottie Moon Christmas Offering; Annie Armstrong Easter Offering; Season of Prayer for State Missions; State Missions Offering; W. M. U. Focus Week. Associational Events observed were: Foreign and Home Mission Graded Series Book Study; Mission Action Projects; World Day of Prayer; Prayer Retreat; Leader Training Workshop; and Key Leadership Training.

We have trained directors and leaders in all the organizations - Mission Action Directors and Enlistment - Enlargement Directors. We are ready to work in our churches, our association, and to reach out to the unchurched - to meet physical and spiritual needs.

Church W. M. U. exists to help you!

Respectfully submitted,
Roena Smothers, Director
W. M. U.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC PROGRAM FOR 1980

Reaching People Through Music — Adults, is the theme for 1980-1981. Reaching Adults is the beginning of a five-year emphasis in reaching people through music. This emphasis contains three areas of concern: (1) outreach; (2) improved music skills; and (3) improved congregational singing.

In order to fulfill the needs in these areas, five objectives have been developed. They are:

- (1) To increase the membership and average attendance of Adult music groups.
- (2) To establish new Adult music groups in every church.
- (3) To help Adult choir members improve their music skills.
- (4) To encourage churches to improve congregational singing.
- (5) To utilize Adult musicians in service opportunities through Bold Mission Thrust projects.

The Hymn of the Month Plan, 1980-81, is designed to help churches feature a different hymn each month in congregational service, organizational meetings, choir, and instrumental rehearsals.

October "We Are Called To Be God's People"

November . . . "Count Your Blessings"

December . . . "There's A Song In The Air"

January "Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

February . . . "Lord, I Want To Be A Christian"

March "Lead Me To Calvary"

April "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

May "The Lord's My Shepherd"

June "O God, Our Help In Ages Past"

July "Awake, Awake To Love and Work"

August "All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name"

September . . . "Victory In Jesus"

Special emphasis is given to the Church Music Leadership Conference, Ridgecrest, June 20-26, 1981 and to the Church Music Growth Week, August 23-29, 1981. A week that should be observed in every church with a strong emphasis on enlisting new persons into the program, beginning new choirs and/or instrumental groups and increasing the quality of the program through leader training activities.

Bold Mission Thrust challenges us to present the message of Jesus Christ to every person on earth by the year 2000.

Music, with its beauty, appeal, strong emotional character, and unique ability to communicate the gospel, is one of the best ways we have to accomplish our goal. A Music Ministry that is successful will be one that recognizes the potential of music to reach people and that utilizes it to its fullest.

"I will sing a new song unto Thee, O God: Upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto Thee. I will praise Thee with my whole heart." (Psalm 144:9, 138:1)

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene M. Pate

Associational Music Director

PASTORS NOW SERVING IN POLK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

| <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>PASTOR</u> | <u>ADDRESS</u> | <u>TELEPHONE</u> |
|----------------|----------------------|---|------------------|
| Beulah | Dillard Davidson | Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 894-8688 |
| Big Level | George Lynch | Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 625-4607 |
| Byars | Henry Owensby | Route 2, Mill Spring, N. C. 28756 | 625-9297 |
| Columbus | Fred Rhodes | Blanton St., Columbus N.C. 28722 | 894-8588 |
| Cooper's Gap | John Godfrey | Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 625-4676 |
| Faith | Alex Booth (Interim) | Director of Fruitland Institute Hendersonville, N.C. | |
| Faith Temple | William Painter | Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 894-8881 |
| Green River | Boyce Bradshaw | Route 4, Rutherfordton N.C. 28139 | 863-4344 |
| Hickory Grove | | | |
| Midway | | | |
| Mill Spring | Houston Moses | Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8841 |
| Morgan Chapel | Ralph Hipp | Route 1, Lyman, S.C. | 439-8338 |
| Pacolet Hills | | | |
| Pea Ridge | Steve Hardin | Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8773 |
| Peniel | W. C. Pate, Jr. | Rt. 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 894-8494 |
| Sandy Springs | Arthur Smith | Rt. 1, Chesnee, S.C. 29323 | 863-2190 |
| Silver Creek | Lee Gregory | Rt. 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 894-8598 |
| Tryon Second | Aaron Pruitt | 101 McDonald St., Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 859-5368 |
| Warrior Mtn. | Herman Bright | Box 184, Zirconia, N.C. 23970 | 692-8082 |
| Pleasant Grove | Leon Allison | 429 Yon Hill Road Hendersonville, N.C. | 692-8720 |

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE A. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION YEAR ENDING September 30, 1960
 Association (Month & Day)

| POLK | | 3 | 4 | 5 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
|---------------------|--|------|-------|-----|--|----|----------------|-----|--|------|--------------------------|----|-----------------------------|--------|---|
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Name | Address | City | State | Zip | Pastors & Addresses (include zip code) | | Total Baptisms | | Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.) | | Present resident members | | Grand total present members | | Total church debt at end of this association year |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Churches | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bellah | Dillard Davidson, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | Polk | 1889 | 1 | Y | 1 | 2 | 6 | 157 | 132 | 289 | 0 | 0 | 187000 | 25286 |
| Big Level | George Lyneth, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1881 | 1 | Y | 3 | 3 | 3 | 154 | 49 | 203 | 0 | 0 | 70000 | 0 |
| Byars | Henry Owenby, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1956 | 1 | Y | 7 | 3 | 4 | 72 | 2 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 45000 | 0 |
| Columbus | Fred Rhodes, Blanton Street, Columbus, N.C. 28722 | Polk | 1857 | 3 | Y | 4 | 9 | 3 | 285 | 134 | 419 | 0 | 2 | 350000 | 462 |
| Cooper's Gap | John Godfrey, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1834 | 1 | Y | 15 | 8 | 7 | 270 | 59 | 328 | 0 | 1 | 200000 | 0 |
| Faith | | Polk | 1967 | 1 | Y | 0 | 4 | 4 | 117 | 29 | 146 | 0 | 1 | 106000 | 0 |
| Faith Temple | Bill Painter, Box 213, Columbus, N.C. 28722 | Polk | 1970 | 1 | Y | 1 | 0 | 0 | 80 | 1 | 81 | 0 | 0 | 26000 | 20000 |
| Green River | Boyce Bradshaw, Route 4, Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139 | Polk | 1875 | 1 | Y | 1 | 8 | 1 | 163 | 35 | 198 | 0 | 0 | 200000 | 14000 |
| Hickory Grove | | Polk | 1906 | 1 | Y | 10 | 7 | 10 | 184 | 95 | 286 | 0 | 0 | 150000 | 0 |
| Midway | | Polk | 1940 | 1 | Y | 3 | 0 | 8 | 112 | 43 | 155 | 0 | 0 | 80000 | 0 |
| Mill Spring (First) | Houston Moses, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1873 | 2 | Y | 0 | 7 | 4 | 181 | 66 | 247 | 0 | 0 | 150000 | 0 |
| Morgan Chapel | Ralph Hipp, Route 1, Lyman, S.C. 29365 | Polk | 1909 | 1 | Y | 3 | 13 | 1 | 132 | 60 | 192 | 0 | 0 | 100000 | 0 |
| Pacolet Hills | | Polk | 1949 | 1 | Y | 1 | 0 | 6 | 65 | 35 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100000 | 2600 |
| Pea Ridge | Steve Hardin, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1916 | 1 | Y | 6 | 2 | 3 | 127 | 60 | 187 | 0 | 0 | 105000 | 5362 |
| Peniel | W.C. Pate, Jr., Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | Polk | 1920 | 1 | Y | 9 | 10 | 6 | 208 | 68 | 276 | 2 | 0 | 225000 | 0 |
| Pleasant Grove | Leon Allison, 429 Yon Hill Road Hendersonville, N.C. | Polk | 1934 | 1 | Y | 1 | 0 | 2 | 107 | 56 | 163 | 0 | 0 | 85000 | 0 |
| Sandy Springs | Arthur Smith, Route 1, Cheassee, S.C. 29123 | Polk | 1858 | 1 | Y | 2 | 1 | 5 | 209 | 100 | 309 | 0 | 0 | 160000 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | Lee Gregory, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | Polk | 1840 | 1 | Y | 2 | 7 | 178 | 93 | 271 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 170000 | 720 |
| Tryon Second | Aaron Pruitt, 101 McDonald Street, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | Polk | 1924 | 1 | Y | 2 | 4 | 8 | 42 | 86 | 128 | 0 | 0 | 120000 | 0 |
| Warrior Mountain | Herman Bright, Box 184 Zirconia, N.C. 23970 | Polk | 1933 | 1 | Y | 0 | 2 | 0 | 37 | 34 | 71 | 1 | 0 | 42000 | 0 |
| Totals | | | | | | 72 | 85 | 88 | 2886 | 1237 | 4117 | 3 | 4 | 550500 | 58430 |

| TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL | | | | | | YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1980 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---|----|----|-----|------|------|---|-----|------|------|----|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Association | | | | | | (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Sunday School Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rev. Joyce Bradshaw | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rutherfordton | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Route 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zip | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28139 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beulah | Eugene Champion, Route 1, Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 0 | 13 | 16 | 19 | 0 | 24 | 16 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 104 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 104 | 60 | 0 | 60 | | | | | | |
| Big Level | John B. Hayes, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 1 | 13 | 16 | 15 | 3 | 7 | 27 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 99 | 99 | 0 | 0 | 99 | 59 | 0 | 59 | | | | | |
| Byars | Roy Price, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 19 | 0 | 4 | 20 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 72 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 72 | 58 | 0 | 58 | | | | | |
| Columbus | Eugene Morgan, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 8 | 8 | 53 | 15 | 8 | 29 | 40 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 187 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 187 | 93 | 0 | 93 | | | | | |
| Cooper's Gap | Glen Burgess, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 13 | 32 | 8 | 12 | 15 | 54 | 29 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 186 | 168 | 0 | 0 | 186 | 130 | 30 | 160 | | | | | |
| Faith | Marion Mcabee, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 0 | 10 | 15 | 12 | 4 | 14 | 36 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 110 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 110 | 100 | 0 | 100 | | | | | |
| Faith Temple | Arnold Odum, Route 2, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 9 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 77 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 77 | 50 | 0 | 50 | | | | | |
| Green River | Buford Harris, Route 4, Box 103, Rutherfordton, 28139 | 0 | 18 | 15 | 28 | 0 | 24 | 15 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 123 | 66 | 0 | 0 | 123 | 43 | 0 | 43 | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | Earl Steadman, Route 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 120 | 19 | 16 | 27 | 17 | 14 | 45 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 184 | 132 | 0 | 0 | 184 | 174 | 0 | 174 | | | | | |
| Midway | E.S. Burnette, Jr., Route 1, Box 764, Columbus, 28722 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 22 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 61 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 61 | 40 | 0 | 40 | | | | | |
| Mill Spring | Claudy Pack, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 1 | 7 | 15 | 13 | 18 | 0 | 21 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 112 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 112 | 56 | 0 | 56 | | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | Roy Laughter, Route 3, Campobello, S.C. 29322 | 0 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 16 | 23 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 79 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 79 | 45 | 0 | 45 | | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | Lewis Flynn, Route 1, Columbus, N.C. 28722 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 18 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 59 | 37 | 1 | 0 | 59 | 35 | 0 | 35 | | | | | |
| Pan Ridge | Preston Beaver, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 0 | 7 | 20 | 12 | 0 | 6 | 35 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 105 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 105 | 80 | 0 | 80 | | | | | |
| Pencil | Leroy Caruth, Jr., Route 1, Landrum, S.C. 29356 | 0 | 19 | 27 | 11 | 20 | 24 | 27 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 156 | 95 | 0 | 0 | 156 | 112 | 0 | 112 | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | Roberson Bailey, Route 1, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 4 | 11 | 17 | 19 | 6 | 27 | 30 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 131 | 87 | 0 | 0 | 131 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | Clark Strickland, Route 4, Rutherfordton, 28139 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 24 | 6 | 8 | 30 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 119 | 96 | 0 | 0 | 119 | 52 | 0 | 52 | | | | | |
| Sliver Creek | Lord Jackson, Route 2, Box 40, Mill Spring, N.C. 28756 | 4 | 13 | 17 | 6 | 11 | 13 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 107 | 69 | 0 | 0 | 107 | 60 | 0 | 60 | | | | | |
| Tryon Second | W.M. Whitacre, 1221 Marham Road Tryon, N.C. 28782 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 20 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 59 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 59 | 20 | 0 | 20 | | | | | |
| Warrior Mountain | Donald Byrd, Route 1, Box 405, Saluda, N.C. 28773 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 47 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 47 | 35 | 0 | 35 | | | | | |
| Totals | | 45 | 223 | 303 | 271 | 133 | 288 | 472 | 225 | 2 | 16 | 88 | 20 | 2178 | 1465 | 0 | 0 | 2178 | 1302 | 30 | 1332 | | | | | |

| TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING | | YEAR ENDING September 30, 1980 | | POLK | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|----------|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| ASSOCIATION | | MONTH & DAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| State | | CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Associational Church Training Director | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | | Box 213 | | Columbus, N.C. 28722 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHURCHES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | New Church Member Training Participation | | | |
| | | | | Preschool enrollment (5 years and under—not in school) | Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6) | Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12) | Adult enrollment (18 and over) | Equipping Centers enrollment | Held File enrollment | General Officers enrollment | Enrollment of missions of church | Total Church Training enrollment | Average weekly Church Training attendance | Children | Youth | Adult | | | | |
| Beulah | | | | 0 | 0 | 5 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Big Level | | | | 12 | 5 | 7 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 52 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Byars | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbia | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cooper's Gap | | | | 4 | 4 | 11 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 49 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Faith | | | | 2 | 4 | 7 | 32 | 0 | 19 | 3 | 0 | 67 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Faith Temple | | | | 9 | 9 | 6 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 48 | 23 | 6 | 5 | 12 | | | | |
| Green River | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | | | | 10 | 5 | 15 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 86 | 77 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Midway | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Mill Spring (First) | | | | 0 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 35 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | | | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 21 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 15 | | | | |
| Pea Ridge | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peniel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | | | | 2 | 8 | 15 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 65 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Silver Creek | | | | 2 | 3 | 0 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 40 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Tryon Second | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mountain | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | | | | 42 | 47 | 76 | 282 | 0 | 19 | 42 | 0 | 507 | 367 | 7 | 7 | 27 | | | | |

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC Association

POIX

YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1980 (Month & Day)

State

Association Music Officer

Mrs. Charlene Pate

Address

Route 1 City Tryon State N.C. Zip 28752

MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)

| CHURCHES | Prestchool enrolment (4-5 years) | Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6) | Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12) | Adult enrolment (18 and over) | Handbell ringers enrolment | Vocal ensembles enrolment | Instrumental ensembles enrolment | General music leaders enrolment | Enrolment of missions of church | Total ongoing Church Music enrolment | Average weekly Church Music attendance | Church Music study group enrolment |
|------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Bethel | 1 | 5 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 48 | 45 | 0 |
| Big Level | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Byars | 0 | 2 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| Columbus | 10 | 34 | 10 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 80 | 70 | 0 |
| Cooper's Gap | 6 | 7 | 15 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 51 | 41 | 0 |
| Faith | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 13 | 6 | 0 |
| Faith Temple | 0 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 32 | 18 | 0 |
| Green River | 1 | 2 | 8 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 20 | 0 |
| Hickory Grove | 5 | 15 | 12 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 65 | 40 | 0 |
| Midway | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Mill Spring | 0 | 6 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 18 | 0 |
| Morgan Chapel | 0 | 3 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 27 | 24 | 0 |
| Paclet Hills | 2 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 26 | 20 | 0 |
| Pae Ridge | 0 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 8 | 0 |
| Pocah | 2 | 2 | 13 | 26 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 57 | 40 | 0 |
| Pleasant Grove | 2 | 12 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 33 | 33 | 0 |
| Sandy Springs | 2 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 45 | 35 | 0 |
| Silver Creek | 20 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 50 | 0 |
| Tryon Second | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Warrior Mountain | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 8 | 0 |
| Totals | 55 | 143 | 135 | 244 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 54 | 0 | 651 | 406 | 0 |

| TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION Association | | | | POLK | | YEAR ENDING September 30, 1980 (Month & Day) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Enrollment | | Total ongoing WMU enrollment | |
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| State | | NORTH CAROLINA | | Number of Organizations | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | WMU officers | | Missions of church | | | |
| Associational WMU Director | | Mrs. Roena Smothers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Baptist Women (30 and over) | | Missions of church | | | |
| Address | | City, State, S.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Baptist Young Women (18-29 years of age) | | | | | |
| Route 1 | | Landrum, S.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Baptist Young Women (18-29 years of age) | | | | | |
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| Columbus | | | | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 8 | 51 | 0 | 18 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 87 | | | | | | | |
| Cooper's Gap | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 63 | | | | | | | |
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| Faith Temple | | | | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 17 | | | | | | | |
| Green River | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | | | | | | | |
| Hickory Grove | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 44 | | | | | | | |
| Midway | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mill Spring | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 24 | | | | | | | |
| Morgan Chapel | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 24 | | | | | | | |
| Pacolet Hills | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | | | | | | | |
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| Pleasant Grove | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sandy Springs | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 39 | | | | | | | |
| Silver Creek | | | | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 42 | | | | | | | |
| Tryon Second | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Warrior Mountain | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 9 | | | | | | | |
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| TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES | | | | YEAR ENDING - September 30, 1980 | | OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | | | | | Grand Total | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------------|--|
| Association | | | | Mission & City | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Director of Associational Missions | | | | CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Box 711 | | | | CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| North Carolina | | | | CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marshall R. Simpson | | | | CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbia, N.C. | | | | CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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